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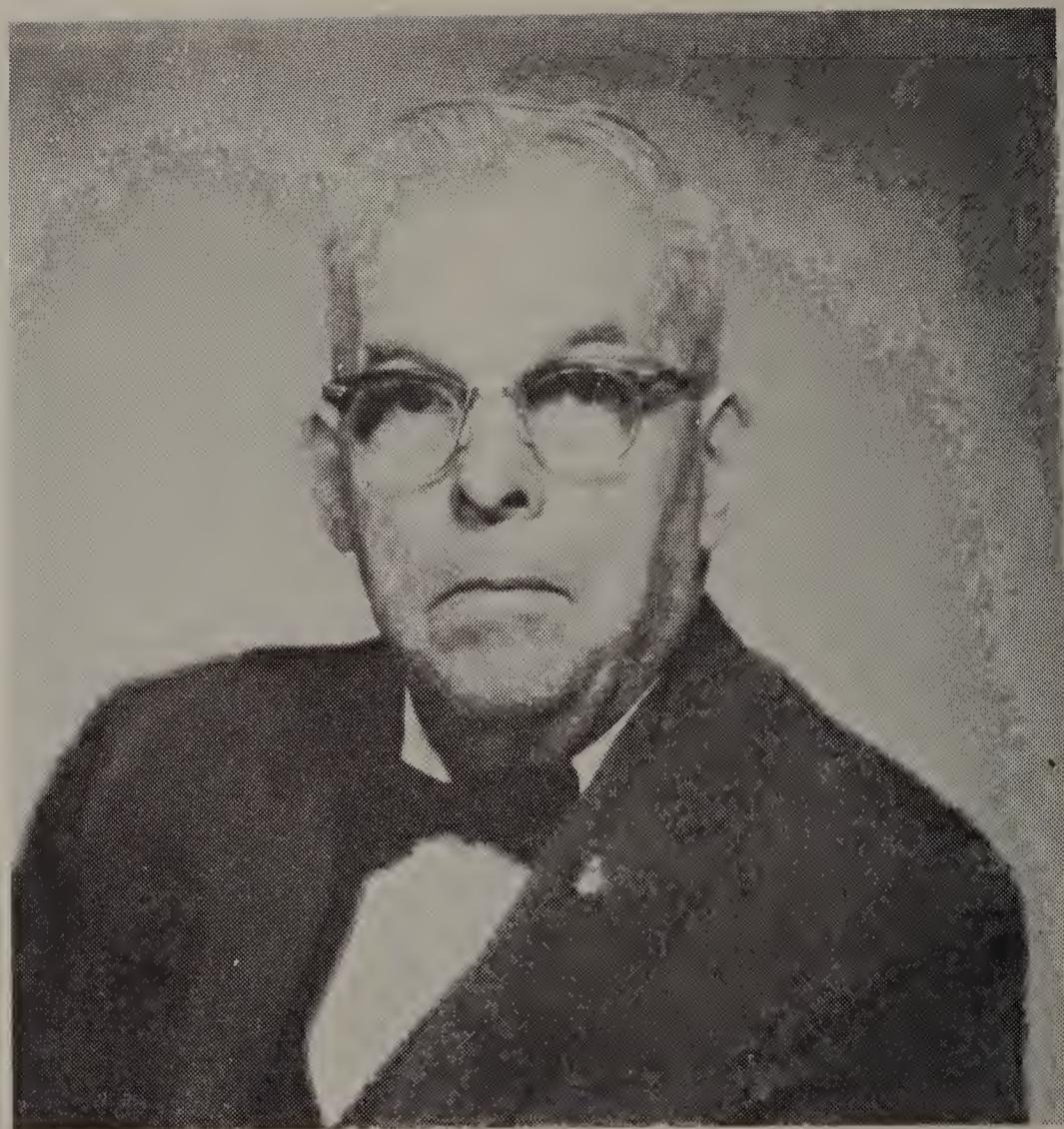
WESTHAMPTON
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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS



TOWN
Of
WESTHAMPTON
FOR THE
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1972

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CHARLES R. BURT

This Town Report is dedicated to Charles R. Burt as a tribute to him, and an acknowledgment of all he has done for our town.

Born in 1896, the son of Levi and Sarah Burt, Charlie has lived his whole life in Westhampton, and people have come to seek and respect his sage advice and comments. In 1922 he married Sara Dickinson and they, with their daughter Martha, have been recognized as one of the town's leading families.

Charlie has taken time from his farm to serve in many town offices, including Selectman for 15 years, Assessor for 10 years, Moderator for 18 years, Dog Officer for 5 years, Librarian for 7 years, and on the Board of Registrars for 6 years. Also he has been a member of the Fire Department since its organization in 1949, serving as secretary for most of these years. Before this time he served as Chief of the volunteer firemen for several years.

In addition Charlie has served on, or been an active member of, nearly every organization in town including the Westhampton Church where the Burts have been leaders since its beginning.

On behalf of all the citizens of Westhampton we take this opportunity to express our deepest appreciation to Charlie for all the time, devotion, and love he has unselfishly given to our town. People like Charlie Burt make small towns great.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Selectmen were engaged in a progressive year during 1972 with many diversified activities being filtered through this office.

At the annual Town elections Richard W. Tracy was again elected to the Board of Selectmen for a three year term. David K. Bridgman was elected Chairman of the Board, with Stillman G. Brooks, Jr., elected Chairman of the Board of Health and Veteran's Agent and Bill Tracy being elected Clerk. Mr. Brooks and Mr. Bridgman were elected to serve as representatives on the Finance Committee.

The eighteen month fiscal year, which begins January 1, 1973 and runs through June 30, 1974, has been of interest, concern and much study by this Board. Many seminars have been attended by us and other officials of the Town. As there will be one full winter and a major portion of another winter during this period it is necessary to increase a number of accounts, such as Snow Removal, Sanding and Roadwork, insurance and any accounts having heating or electricity included in them. Our Chapter 81 and 90 Highway Funds from the State will remain the same for this new eighteen month period as it has been in the past for a twelve month period. Consequently, we must take precautions to stretch these funds over this longer period of time.

The Federal Emergency Unemployment Act has again enabled the Town to employ men to help the Highway Department with different projects at no expense to the town.

Through the efforts of Stanley Greenberg, Civil Defense Director, the Town was the recipient of a 6x6 Army truck. The Town is grateful to our Postman, Walter Marek, and his son Mike, who operates Mike's Auto Body, for the painting and lettering of this addition to our Highway equipment.

In July of this year, we received with regret the resignation of Charles Inman, Highway Superintendent for the past three years. We were fortunate in securing the services of Alan Bardwell, Sr. to replace Mr. Inman.

In May, Edwin E. Lawler submitted his resignation on the Board of Assessors, due to a promotion which re-

quired him to move to a new district. The Selectmen and Assessors met and voted to appoint Normand F. Cloutier to fill this office until the March elections.

A new State Law was enacted requiring towns to appoint a Plumbing Inspector and on May 22nd James G. Hickey was appointed to fill this new position. Townspeople are asked to comply with the new plumbing laws for which Mr. Hickey will be happy to answer any questions.

Our Caretaker of the Sanitary Landfill, Russell Dodge, resigned due to a change in his employment and Alfred Barrett was hired to fill this position.

On request of the School Committee, a Space Needs Committee was appointed on June 17th to study the needs of a Kindergarten and hot lunch program in the school system, both required by law by September 1973. The committee consisted of the following townspeople:

Enace J. Lococo, Chairman	Sandra J. Stasz
Irene J. Montague, Secretary	Richard C. Williams
Quentin G. Browne	

At a joint meeting of the Selectmen and School Committee, the Space Needs Committee reported their findings and at a Special Town meeting it was voted to appoint a five member School Building Committee to make a study and report back to the townspeople before the Annual Town meeting. This Committee consists of the following:

Sandra J. Stasz, Chairman	Donald B. Lyman
Kathryn J. Hamelin, Secretary	Enace J. Lococo
Leroy M. Miller	

On October 20, 1972, Public Law 92-512 was passed by the 92nd Congress, which provides fiscal assistance to State and local governments. This Revenue Sharing Act entitles the Town to receive a portion of Federal monies to be used on certain priority expenditures over a period of five years, with reports being filed throughout this period as to how this money has been expended by the Town.

Some work has been started on Southampton Road and much of the Highway Department's time will be spent working on this project during the coming year.

The Board of Selectmen accept with regret, the resignation of Arnold Holt, custodian of the Town Hall for a

number of years. We appreciated his services in the past as this job required many last minute preparations. Donald Munson was hired to fill this position.

The Selectmen have attended numerous meetings in order to keep abreast of the many changes in the law, always trying to work for the best interest of the Town.

We wish to thank the townspeople and town officials for the co-operation extended us throughout the year. Our meetings are held at 7:00 P.M., every Monday evening and are open to everyone wishing to attend.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID K. BRIDGMAN
STILLMAN G. BROOKS, JR.
RICHARD W. TRACY

Board of Selectmen

DISBURSEMENTS BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

CHAPTER 81 PAYROLL

Alan Bardwell	\$ 255.30
Curtis Mercier	12.50
Murray Clapp	2,138.75
Machine Fund	3,046.80
Charles Inman	2,650.05
James Taylor	1,825.28
Robert Miller	492.50
Donald Munson	63.00
	———— \$ 10,484.18

CHAPTER 81 MATERIAL

Machine Fund	\$ 73.50
3 M Minnesota Mining	91.70
Warner Bros.	141.55
Daniel B. Krug	71.40
Tom Hathaway	357.50
Lane Construction Co.	406.19
All States Asphalt	1,007.14
Westhampton Sand & Gravel	123.55
State Chemical	353.51
Ernest A. Delisle Co.	15.08
Standan Steel	20.00
	———— \$ 2,661.12

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE PAYROLL

Murray Clapp	\$ 111.00
James Taylor	1,005.13
Robert Miller	270.00
Alan Bardwell	1,517.00
Donald Munson	89.55
Machine Fund	1,620.35
Curtis Mercier	382.50
Ernest A. Delisle Co.	594.00
	----- \$ 5,589.53

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE MATERIAL

Lane Construction Co.	\$ 420.57
Daniel B. Krug	48.60
All States Asphalt	1,577.30
Westhampton Sand & Gravel	184.05
Tobin Bros.	212.05
Tom Hathaway	7.50
Arrow Concrete Products	192.00
	----- \$ 2,642.07

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION PAYROLL

Alan Bardwell	\$ 1,172.90
James Taylor	762.65
Machine Fund	1,264.35
Curtis Mercier	640.00
Omasta Bros.	1,488.00
	----- \$ 5,327.90

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION MATERIAL

Westhampton Sand & Gravel	\$ 2,107.15
All States Asphalt	3,539.92
Arrow Concrete Products	182.00
Lane Construction Co.	165.86
	----- \$ 5,994.93

SNOW REMOVAL, SANDING AND ROAD WORK

Charles Inman	\$ 2,425.65
Murray Clapp	1,528.65
Harland Lemery	115.75
James Taylor	1,974.06
Donald Munson	18.00
Westhampton Sand & Gravel	979.32
Warner Bros.	25.20
Alan Bardwell	1,264.41
Curtis Mercier	725.64
Robert Miller	42.63
Stillman G. Brooks	28.00
Donald Blakesley	40.25

Chemical Corp.	1,083.94
Eastern Minerals, Inc.	1,728.76
Mill Valley Splicing	327.66
Tooty's Welding	272.08
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	\$ 12,580.00

ROAD MACHINERY

Ernest A. Delisle Co.	\$ 149.83
Norwood Oil	290.86
Cernak Farm	1,522.26
Munson Auto	369.36
Alan Bardwell	22.20
Curtis Mercier	15.00
Bak Tire Co.	29.10
LaRochelle Radiator Repair	7.00
Lapinskis Garage	15.00
Doty Ford Sales	8.57
Mutual Ford	4.73
Lyman Sheet Metal	75.00
Hope Co.	15.00
Elm Corp.	169.38
Labbee Chevrolet	5.00
Sears, Roebuck and Co.	146.44
Easthampton Welding	27.50
Duffy's Tire Service	6.00
Tooty's Welding	95.00
Standan Steel	165.00
Del Chemical	207.18
Texas Refinery Corp.	43.60
Hamp "66" Auto Electric	35.80
William Sullivan	25.01
Brown's Welding	58.30
Sportsman Marine	46.30
Irving Schultz	186.77
Springfield Auto	15.53
Tri-County Contractor Supply	22.88
Petty Cash	61.60
Ferrara Spring & Parts	167.54
Share Corp.	230.88
Graves Equipment	237.47
W. J. Foss	11.45
Witt-Armstrong Equipment	1,282.30
Foster & Co.	157.65
Agway	73.08
Plumb Auto	96.88
C & I Distributors	82.70
Bak & Son	66.43
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	\$ 6,247.58

ROAD MACHINERY AND FIRE DEPT. BUILDINGS

Norwood Oil	\$ 636.45
Western Mass. Electric Co.	100.91
Ernest A. Delisle Co.	136.39
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	\$ 873.75

FIRE DEPARTMENT

James R. Shea	\$ 455.15
State Chemical Mfg. Co.	92.51
Munson Auto	17.93
Mass. Fire Equipment Corp.	21.95
C & I Distributors	8.94
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	\$ 596.48

FIRE CHIEF AND FOREST WARDEN

David K. Bridgman	\$ 150.00
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TOWN HALL

Norwood Oil	\$ 848.59
Western Mass. Electric Co.	432.23
Hampshire Engineering	1,008.78
Sabin's	77.55
Arnold Holt	400.00
Ernest A. Delisle Co.	131.62
Francis L. Lamontagne	6.00
Westhampton Water Co.	34.00
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	\$ 2,938.77

TOWN OFFICERS

John Lynes	\$ 3.75
Robert White	3.75
James H. McGill	50.00
Harold Lacombe	59.63
Ruth Gagnon	47.25
Evelyn Tracy	59.25
Shirley Bardwell	59.25
Claire Loud	16.13
James E. Faulkner, Treasurer	2.00
Mass. Collectors' and Treas. Assoc.	5.00
Mass. Selectmen's Assoc.	40.00
Assoc. of Mass. Assessors	21.00
Mass. Fed. of Planning Boards	30.00
Arthur E. Collins, Treas.	10.00
Mass. League of Cities & Towns	75.00
Lower Pioneer Valley	
Reg. Planning Comm.	95.16
Richard W. Tracy, Town Moderator	25.00
Hamp. Co. Selectmen's Assoc. -Dues	15.00
Assoc. of Town Finance Comm. - Dues	25.00

David K. Bridgman, Selectman	391.65
Stillman G. Brooks, Jr., Selectman	350.00
Richard W. Tracy, Selectman	358.35
Olga C. Hathaway, Treasurer	750.00
Jeanne C. Bridgman, Town Clerk	350.00
Charles Ognibene, Tax Collector	800.00
Frank E. Hathaway, Assessor	309.07
Edwin E. Lawler, Assessor	124.64
Normand F. Cloutier, Assessor	154.16
James O. Hickey, Assessor	340.75
Priscilla A. Miller, Auditor	50.00
Frederick W. Brown, Jr., School Comm.	145.85
Philip J. Norris, School Comm.	129.15
Bernice W. Florek, School Comm.	125.00
Stillman G. Brooks, Jr., Veteran's Agt.	100.00
Richard H. Tracy, Building Inspector	50.00
Ronald Patterson, Gas Pipe Inspector	50.00
Richard Williams, Wiring Inspector	50.00
James G. Hickey, Sanitation Inspector	50.00
Jeanne C. Bridgman, Bd. of Reg. Clerk	50.00
J. Gareth Hickey, Plumbing Inspector	50.00
Frank E. Hathaway	15.00
James H. McGill, Dog Officer	35.00
	\$ 5,470.79

LIBRARY ACCOUNT

Western Mass. Electric Co.	\$ 56.24
Lauris Fernald	134.47
Kenneth Hamelin	15.00
Norwood Oil	136.22
Gail Fernald	493.55
Unity	10.00
Literary Guild of America	85.12
George Howard Insurance	230.00
Seventeen	6.00
Highlights	19.95
Dover Publications	10.54
Horizon Book Source	12.80
Library Book House	389.87
Demco	35.68
Henriette Miller	36.74
Edwin Hayes	4.50
Popular Mechanics	12.00
Book of the Month Club	35.03
Agway	21.49
Huntington	28.08
Children's Book Council	3.75

Cernak Fuel	16.11
Fitness for Living	5.90
Sturgis	17.50
Pack-O-Fun	4.00
Silver Burdett Co.	6.35
Popular Science	10.00
General Learning Corp.	6.35
Loudville Store	4.45
Society for Visual Ed.	35.35
Sports Afield	12.00
National Geographic	17.30
Readers Digest	4.97
	\$ 1,917.31

CEMETERY ACCOUNT

Thomas Vachula	\$ 458.34
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CEMETERY INTEREST - TOTMAN FUND

Thomas Vachula	\$ 91.66
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PRINTING AND SUPPLIES

Albert Cartledge	\$ 6.25
Hobbs & Warren	76.55
Registry of Deeds	47.85
Marcus Printing Co.	65.05
Forbes Snyder	61.64
Jeanne C. Bridgman	1.16
Postmaster	92.00
Easthampton News Co.	743.33
H. S. Gere & Sons	30.65
Copies Unlimited	5.75
Linda J. Sirois	6.88
Hines Co.	32.90
Olga C. Hathaway	2.75
Comm. Public Safety	15.00
Sincage Printing	30.00
Kenneth Hamelin	30.00
	\$ 1,247.76

WELL CHILD AND IMMUNIZATION CLINICS

Ruth M. Sullivan	\$ 84.68
T. K. Selkirk, Jr., M.D.	80.00
Stella Swanson	25.00
	\$ 189.68

POSTAGE AND TELEPHONE

Charles Ognibene	\$ 20.70
Geraldine Ognibene	16.00
N. E. Telephone	860.88

Jeanne C. Bridgman	41.45
Linda J. Sirois	10.56
Olga C. Hathaway	35.62
Stillman G. Brooks, Jr.	13.99
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	\$ 999.20

TRAVEL EXPENSE

Jeanne C. Bridgman	\$ 4.00
David K. Bridgman	22.00
Stillman G. Brooks, Jr.	11.00
Richard W. Tracy	5.00
Charles Ognibene	6.00
Hampshire County Selectmen's Assoc.	5.00
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	\$ 53.00

CLERICAL HIRE

Linda J. Sirois	\$ 200.00
Geraldine K. Ognibene	200.00
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	\$ 400.00

TOWN DUMP

Russell Dodge	\$ 942.00
Alfred Barrett	216.00
Donald Munson	20.00
Murray Clapp	29.75
Donald Blakesley	114.14
James Taylor	21.25
Robert Miller	313.50
Alan Bardwell	11.10
Curtis Mercier	7.50
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	\$ 1,675.24

Payable to: Minnie Cleaora Payson
 Conservator of Est. of Henry J. Payson \$ 16,000.00

INTEREST, INSURANCE AND BONDS

Salls-Whalen	\$ 2,576.92
King & Cushman	10.00
Bureau of Accounts	27.00
Francis P. Lyons	250.00
George P. Howard Ins.	1,976.50
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	\$ 4,840.42

GROUP INSURANCE

Blue Cross-Blue Shield	\$ 2,039.04
Equitable Life Assurance Co.	121.24
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	\$ 2,160.28

REFUND ACCOUNT

Charles Inman	\$.98
Murray Clapp	.98

Ernest Inman	.98
	----- \$
	2.94

TAX ABATEMENTS

Alice P. Bongiovanni	\$ 66.82
Earl R. Gett, Sr.	18.15
Craig E. Powell	7.70
Richard W. Tracy	18.70
James H. McGill	7.90
Robert Miller	6.60
Earl R. Gett, Sr.	13.75
Jeanne S. Dodge	8.25
Alice P. Bongiovanni	71.77
Elizabeth A. Rajam	47.30
Donald Herrmann	9.90
Vincent J. Ferrara	19.80
Marie Jeanne Mercier	14.85
Lillian Bass	3.85
Norman Stone	14.50
Lillian Bass	94.60
Lillian Bass	8.80
Mildred Cook	4.40
George Burt	17.80
Ralph Maglio	8.25
Ralph Maglio	3.85
Andrew Blow	6.87
Lillian Konvelski	17.60
Gilbert Andrews	30.25
Emma M. Stuart	700.00
William G. & Irene Orzolek	80.00
William White	80.00
Thomas Sharac	80.00
Irving & Kathleen Geary	80.00
Irving & Kathleen Geary	95.00
Richard & Virginia Lewis	95.00
Edmund G. & Margaret Morin	95.00
William & Irene Orzolek	95.00
Thomas & Patricia Sharac	95.00
William White	95.00
Harland Lemery, Sr.	5.50
Wayne A. Cernak	5.50
Elizabeth A. Rajam	83.56
Gilbert Wright	17.80
Stanley Greenberg	175.00
Leroy M. Miller	11.00
Patrick English	11.20
Roscoe Hurd, Jr.	14.50

Maurice Patenaude	5.50
Raymond A. Tucker	16.50
Randy Snyder	13.20
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	\$ 2,471.52

LAND DAMAGE ACCOUNT

John Cobb	\$ 650.00
Edwin Lawler	10.00
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	\$ 660.00

FEDERAL WITHHOLDING TAX

First National Bank of Northampton	\$ 10,966.15
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASS. WITHHOLDING TAX	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	\$ 2,850.06

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY RETIREMENT SYSTEM	
Hampshire County Treasurer	\$ 1,334.91

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY RETIREMENT SYSTEM TAX	
Hampshire County Treasurer	\$ 2,203.25

STATE TAX

State Recreation Areas	\$ 1,531.29
Auditing Municipal Accts.	3,385.18
Pioneer Valley Air Pollution	66.26
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	93.75
State Assessment System	50.00
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	\$ 5,126.48

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY TAX

Hampshire County Treasurer	\$ 11,748.84
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HAMPSHIRE COUNTY HOSPITAL TAX DEFICIT	
Hampshire County Treasurer	\$ 1,239.77

DOG LICENSES

Hampshire County Treasurer	\$ 805.05
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THAYER FUND

Robert Norris, Church Treasurer	\$ 26.24
Charles Ognibene, Tax Collector	26.24
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	\$ 52.48

STREET & WRIGHT FUND

Frank W. Munson, Chairman	\$ 124.92
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HAMPSHIRE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT	
Treasurer, Hampshire Regional School	\$135,316.47

SCHOOL ADDITION NOTE PLUS INTEREST	
First National Bank of Northampton	\$ 1,575.00

MEMORIAL DAY

Rodney L. Sirois	\$ 7.75
Edward A. McColgan	25.00
Calvin Ice Cream	20.00
Charles Inman	2.50

Arthur Dodge	10.00
The Flag Center	34.27
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	\$ 99.52

VACATION PAY

Murray Clapp	\$270.00
Charles Inman	384.00
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	\$ 654.00

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Westfield Little League Baseball	\$ 10.00
Western Auto Association	14.85
Valley Sport Center	174.82
Williamsburg Ins. Agency	63.00
John T. Maher, Inc.	2.00
David Lyman	13.34
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	\$ 278.01

DUTCH ELM DISEASE

Alan Bardwell	\$ 66.60
James Taylor	50.85
Curtis Mercier	45.00
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	\$ 162.45

POLICE CHIEF

Francis H. Loud	\$ 150.00
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POLICE ACCOUNT

Sentry Uniform and Equipment	\$ 133.39
Donald Blakesley	84.00
James O. Hickey	16.70
Alan Bardwell	28.10
Charles Inman	9.20
Richard A. Sherburne, Inc.	124.23
James R. Shea	193.70
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	\$ 589.32

COUNSEL FEES

Lewis A. Whitney, Esq.	\$ 431.00
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BRIDGES AND RAILINGS

Foster & Co., Inc.	\$ 57.38
Murray Clapp	12.00
Robert Miller	40.50
Alan Bardwell	51.80
James Taylor	38.50
Ernest A. Delisle Co.	133.72
Plumb Auto	5.36
Agway	21.00
Munson Auto	31.95
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	\$ 392.21

CIVIL DEFENSE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts	\$89.70
Comm. of Mass. Dept. of Ed.	35.20
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	\$ 124.90

VETERAN'S RELIEF

Veteran's Relief	\$ 75.00
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HOLIDAY PAY

Charles Inman	\$ 107.55
Murray Clapp	80.55
James Taylor	148.95
Alan Bardwell	99.90
Curtis Mercier	45.00
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	\$ 481.95

BOARD OF HEALTH

Easthampton Visiting Nurse	\$ 18.00
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TREE REMOVAL

Charles Inman	\$ 12.00
James Taylor	45.38
Robert Miller	44.00
Murray Clapp	42.00
Alan Bardwell	44.40
Clifford Fisher	6.10
J & L Sales	3.90
Curtis Mercier	22.50
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	\$ 220.28

CHESTERFIELD ROAD

Arrow Concrete Products	\$ 42.00
Charles Inman	636.00
Murray Clapp	417.00
James Taylor	358.89
Machine Fund	478.10
Community Feed	30.00
Robert Miller	96.75
Thomas Vachula	13.50
Westhampton Sand & Gravel	632.62
Tobin Bros.	22.91
Larry Smith	51.75
Richard W. Tracy	20.25
Tyler Equip. Corp.	160.00
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	\$ 2,959.77

PURCHASE OF HIGHWAY SANDER

Tri-County Contractor Supply	\$ 3,205.77
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TEMPORARY LOANS

<i>Loans</i>	<i>Interest on Loans</i>
First Natl. Bank of Northampton	
\$ 30,000.00	\$ 178.50

First Natl. Bank of Easthampton		
\$ 50,000.00	713.50	
First Natl. Bank of Easthampton		
\$ 21,000.00	589.34	
First Natl. Bank of Northampton		
\$ 50,000.00	656.86	
Total \$151,000.00	Total \$2,138.20	

DOG OFFICER

James H. McGill	\$ 570.00
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RECAPITULATION

Chapter 81 Payroll	\$ 10,484.18
Chapter 81 Material	2,661.12
Chapter 90 Maintenance Payroll	5,589.53
Chapter 90 Maintenance Material	2,642.07
Chapter 90 Construction Payroll	5,327.90
Chapter 90 Construction Material	5,994.93
Snow Removal, Sanding and Road Work	12,580.00
Road Machinery	6,247.58
Road Machinery and Fire Dept. Buildings	873.75
Fire Department	596.48
Fire Chief and Forest Warden	150.00
Town Hall	2,938.77
Town Officers	5,470.79
Library	1,917.31
Cemetery	458.34
Cemetery Interest - Totman Fund	91.66
Printing & Supplies	1,247.76
Well Child and Immunization Clinics	189.68
Postage & Telephone	999.20
Travel Expense	53.00
Clerical Hire	400.00
Town Dump	1,675.24
Interest, Insurance and Bonds	4,840.42
Group Insurance	2,160.28
Refund Account	2.94
Tax Abatements	2,471.52
Land Damage Account	660.00
Federal Withholding Tax	10,966.15
Commonwealth of Mass. Withholding Tax	2,850.06
Hampshire County Retirement System	1,334.91
Hampshire County Retirement System Tax	2,203.25
State Tax	5,126.48
Hampshire County Tax	11,748.84
Hampshire County Hospital Tax Deficit	1,239.77
Dog Licenses	805.05
Thayer Fund	52.48

Street & Wright Fund	124.92
Hampshire Regional School District	135,316.47
School Addition Note Plus Interest	1,575.00
Memorial Day	99.52
Vacation Pay	654.00
Recreation Committee	278.01
Dutch Elm Disease	162.45
Police Chief	150.00
Police Account	589.32
Counsel Fees	431.00
Bridges & Railings	392.21
Civil Defense	124.90
Veterans Relief	75.00
Holiday Pay	481.95
Board of Health	18.00
Tree Removal	220.28
Chesterfield Road	2,959.77
Purchase of Highway Sander	3,205.77
Temporary Loans	151,000.00
Interest Loans	2,138.20
Dog Officer	570.00

JURORS DRAWN IN 1972

GRAND JURY

Wayne Buzzee

TRAVESE JURY

Garry G. Anderson
Richard J. Hamelin
William J. Janczewski

Bonnie B. Ferrara
Ronald L. Beaupre
Emile Derouin

Roger Mercier

NAMES IN JURY BOX FOR 1972

Richard Warren
Hazel F. Lyman
John W. Lynes
Harold B. Wood
Ruth Blow

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Dwight S. Church, Sr.
Charles R. Burt
Margaret R. Farley
Gilbert Andrews
Jessie S. Krug

PROPOSED BUDGETS

	1972	1973	1974	Total
Board of Health	100.00	18.00	100.00	150.00
Bridges & Railings	400.00	392.21	400.00	600.00
Cemetery	550.00	458.34	700.00	325.00
Chapter 90 Construction	4,600.00	11,322.83		1,025.00
Chapter 90 Maintenance	2,750.00	8,231.60		
Chapter 81	680.00	13,145.30		
Civil Defense	200.00	124.90	200.00	300.00
Clerical Hire	400.00	400.00	400.00	600.00
Constable Acct	100.00	100.00	100.00	150.00
Dog Officer Account	375.00	570.00	600.00	900.00
Counsel Fees	750.00	431.00	1,000.00	1,500.00
County Retirement System Tax	2,203.25	2,203.25	2,842.50	2,842.50
Dutch Elm Disease	177.31	162.45	177.31	88.65
Purchase of Dump Site	3,200.00	16,000.00	3,200.00	6,400.00
Fire Chief & Forest Warden	150.00	150.00	150.00	75.00
Fire Department	600.00	596.48	600.00	300.00
Fire Patrol	100.00	100.00	100.00	150.00
Group Insurance	1,400.00	1,292.04	1,800.00	900.00
Hampshire County Retirement		1,334.91		2,700.00
Hampshire Regional School	135,316.47	135,316.47	200,516.97	200,516.97
Holiday Pay	525.00	481.95	525.00	715.00
Interest, Insurance & Bonds	5,000.00	4,840.42	5,000.00	10,000.00
Temporary Loans	1,500.00	2,138.20	1,800.00	2,400.00
Insect Pest Control	100.00	100.00	100.00	200.00
Land Damage	800.00	660.00	1,000.00	1,500.00

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

RAISE AND APPROPRIATE

Schools	\$104,550.84
Highways, Chapter 81	680.00
Highways, Chapter 90 Construction	2,066.31
Highways, Chapter 90 Maintenance	2,750.00
Bridges and Railings	400.00
Town Officers	5,700.00
Town Hall Account	3,000.00
Fire Department	600.00
Fire Chief & Forest Warden	150.00
Cemetery	550.00
Well Child Clinic & Immun. Clinic	300.00
Memorial Day	100.00
Vacation Pay	660.00
Recreation	300.00
Insect Pest Control	100.00
Dutch Elm Disease	177.31
Civil Defense	200.00
Police Chief	150.00
Police Account	600.00
Constable Account	100.00
Veterans Relief	100.00
Rabies Vaccine	50.00
Fire Patrol	100.00
Travel Expense	100.00
Board of Health	100.00
Land Damage	800.00
To defray deficit in 1965 Chapter 679 Bond Issue Acct.	3,351.07
To defray deficit in 1970 Town Dump Acct.	1,372.99
Tree Removal	250.00
Counsel Fees	750.00
Clerical Hire	400.00
Snow Removal, Sanding & Road Work	9,500.00
County Retirement System Tax	2,203.25
School Adddition plus Interest	1,564.51
Interest, Insurance & Bonds	5,000.00
Road Machinery & Fire Dept Bldgs.	1,000.00
Group Insurance	1,400.00
Town Dump Account	1,800.00
Hampshire Regional School	135,316.47
Holiday Pay	525.00
Purchase of Town Dump	3,200.00
Dog Officer Account	375.00

Printing & Supplies	1,250.00
Pistage & Telephone	1,000.00
Hampshire County Hosp. Tax Deficit	1,239.77
Deficit to 1969 Dog Refund Acct.	25.09
For 1972 Library Acct.	474.91
Maturing Debt	1,575.00
Total	\$297,957.52

ESTIMATES TO BE RAISED FROM CHERRY SHEET

County Tax	\$12,310.32
State Rec. Areas Outside	
Metro Park District	1,812.14
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Bills	93.75
Overlay of Current Year	10,344.69
State Assessment System	50.00
Lower Pioneer Valley Air Pollution	
Control District	64.13
County Hospital	1,239.77
Offset to Cherry Sheet -	
Free Public Libraries	1,000.00
Lower Pioneer Valley	
Regional Planning District	95.16
Overlay Deficit - 1966-67	697.46
State Audit	3,385.18
1971 Teachers' Retro-Active Pay	875.65
Total	\$ 31,968.25

FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS IN THE TREASURY

Transferred from Center School Add. Acct.	
to School Addition and Interest	10.49
From Overlay Surplus Acct.	
to Reserve Fund	2,000.00
From Free Cash to Interest on	
Temporary Loans	1,500.00
Transferred from Road Machinery	
Fund to Road Machinery Account	6,000.00
1968-69-70 and 71 State Aid to	
Library Acct.	2,000.00
Transferred from 1970 Gravel Road	
Acct. to Chap. 90 Highway Constr.	2,533.69
Voted to transfer from Road Machinery	
Fund to defray deficit in 1967	
Road Machinery Account	22.17
Voted to use sum from Chap. 768 Acct.	
of 1969 for Reconstruction of	
Southampton Road	2,533.69
Total	\$ 16,600.04
Total Appropriations	\$346,525.81

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS
Overestimate Air Pollution

Control Dirtribution	19.68
Overestimate State Parks	239.42
Overestimate County Tax	113.38
Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise	9,280.66
Licenses	177.00
Protection of Persons & Property	250.00
Health & Sanitation	12.50
Interest	2,025.54
Farm Animal	369.75
Estimated Receipts from Cherry Sheet	106,330.84
Total Estimated Receipts	118,818.77
Total Available Funds	29,600.04
 Total Estimated Receipts & Available Funds	148,418.81
Total Amount Raised on Property	198,107.00
 Total	\$346,525.81
Personal Property Valuation	724,150.00
Tax on Personal Property	28,966.00
Valuation on Real Estate	4,228,525.00
Tax on Real Estate	169,141.00
Tax Rate	40.00
1971 Motor Vehicle Excise in 1972	4,370.01
Motor Vehicle Excise in 1972	15,696.21
Abatements in 1972 on 1971 Motor Veh. Excise	893.32
Abatements 1971 Motor Vehicle Excise	1,477.45
Abatements 1972 Real Estate	406.20
Exemptions 1972 Real Estate - Veterans	1,400.00
Exemptions 1972 Real Estate - Certain Elderly Persons	5,062.00

FARM EXCISE

Horses 23; Cows 233; Bulls & Steers 3; Swine 30;
Sheep 0; Heifers under 2 years old 151. The total number
of farm animals is 440.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES O. HICKEY, *Chairman*
FRANK E. HATHAWAY
NORMAND F. CLOUTIER

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

For the Year Ending December 31, 1972

BIRTHS

February 9, 1972:

Michael Edward Berard, son to
David John and Bonnie Phyllis Mercier Berard

June 4, 1972:

Michael Raymond Arel, son to
Bernard Paul Francis and Anne Mary Bushey Arel

July 4, 1972:

Gabriel James and Jesse Daniel McCool, twin sons to
James Andrew, Jr., and Brenda Marie Charrette McCool

July 15, 1972:

Correne Louise Wood, daughter to
Kenneth Harold and Charlotte Ruth Payson Wood

July 30, 1972:

Kathryn Cheryl Bobala, daughter to
Charles and Cheryl Marion Fuller Bobala

August 18, 1972:

Brenda Ann Montague, daughter to
Peter Edward and Mary Patricia Fitzgerald Montague

October 16, 1972:

Mark Edward Challet, son to
Edward Arthur and Laura Frances Rickey Challet

October 17, 1972:

Ethan Moore Parsons, son to
Henry Moore III and Margaret Angela Sterni Parsons

November 29, 1972:

Stephanie Anne Subocz, daughter to
Thomas Edward and Erika Elfriede Konopka Subocz

December 5, 1972:

Jon Joseph and Robert James Tobin, twin sons to
Timothy Francis and Cynthia Jean Bailly Tobin

MARRIAGES

January 1, 1972—

Floyd Arthur Snyder, Jr., of Westhampton and
Arlene Rose Menard of Northampton

January 15, 1972—

Edward Arthur Challet of Westhampton and
Laura Frances Rickey of Chesterfield

June 3, 1972—

William Joseph Trzcienski of Northampton and
Judith Ann Ledoux of Westhampton

September 2, 1972—

Michael Hugh Quigley of Westhampton and
Elizabeth Carol Riggott of Williamsburg

September 16, 1972—

Rolland E. Spencer of Westhampton and
Lorraine (Warren) Barrett of Westhampton

September 30, 1972—

Timothy Aldrich Hurd of Westhampton and
Doris N. Kosior of Chicopee

November 4, 1972—

George A. Childs of Haydenville and
Jovita B. Derouin of Westhampton

November 18, 1972—

Michael Leslie Taylor of Huntington and
Eileen Martha Norris of Westhampton

November 22, 1972—

John Brian Storozuk of Northampton and
Debora Jean Buzzee of Westhampton

DEATHS

		Yrs.	Mos.	Days
January 5, 1972 - Roland P. Knight		81	11	21
February 3, 1972 - Charles C. Blakesley		74	8	8
June 11, 1972 - Sara Theodora (Dickinson)	Burt	78	10	24
June 22, 1972 - Clara Wright (Bridgman)	Turner	85	8	11
August 2, 1972 - Malcolm McKinney		55	1	23
August 18, 1972 - Lillian S. Konvelski		52		
Sept. 14, 1972 - George Henry Payson		72	8	13
December 1, 1972 - Carl J. Konvelski		44	8	2

DOG LICENSES

Balance on Hand - January 1, 1972	\$ 8.30
Licenses Issued:	
100 Male	@ \$3.00 \$300.00
23 Female	@ 6.00 138.00
50 Spayed	@ 3.00 150.00
14 Kennel	@ 10.00 140.00
3 Kennel	@ 25.00 75.00
1 Kennel	@ 50.00 50.00
	————— \$ 853.00
Paid to Town Treasurer	794.45
Retained 191 fees @ .35	66.85
	————— \$ 861.30

FISH AND GAME LICENSES

Licenses Issued:

86 Resident Fishing	@ \$5.25	\$451.50
16 Minor Fishing	@ 3.25	52.00
25 Female Fishing	@ 4.25	106.25
40 Hunting	@ 5.25	210.00
21 Hunting	@ 8.25	173.25
1 Non-Resident Hunting	@ 35.25	35.25
77 Sporting	@ 8.25	635.25
3 7 day Non-Res. Fishing	@ 5.25	15.75
4 Non-Resident Fishing	@ 9.75	39.00
1 Citizen Trapping	@ 8.75	8.75
10 Archery Deer Stamps	@ 1.10	11.00
6 Archery Deer Stamps	@ 5.10	30.60
3 Duplicates	@ .50	1.50
3 Duplicates	@ 1.00	3.00
12 Resident Cit. Sporting (Free)		---
9 Res. Military-Naval Sporting (Free)		---
		<u>\$ 1,773.10</u>

Paid Division of Fisheries & Game	\$1,703.00
Retained 274 fees @ .25	68.50
Retained 16 fees @ .10	1.60
	<u>\$ 1,773.10</u>

RAFFLES AND BAZAARS

Licenses Issued:

1 Permit to Conduct Raffles @ \$10.00	
Paid to Town Treasurer	\$ 10.00

Respectfully submitted,

JEANNE C. BRIDGMAN

Town Clerk

January 24, 1973

I have examined the accounts of the Town Clerk and find them correct.

Respectfully submitted,

PRISCILLA A. MILLER, Auditor

REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

Balance on Hand, January 1, 1972 \$ 44,138.67

Taxes and Interest received from Collector:

1971 Real Estate	\$ 5,532.26
Personal Property	735.05
Excise	5,964.39
Interest	264.43
Demand	48.00
Warrant	17.00
	12,561.13
1972 Real Estate	156,536.74
Personal Property	28,720.00
Excise	12,392.25
Farm Excise	494.50
Interest	2.96
Demand	12.00
	198,158.45

Highways:

From Massachusetts State Treasurer	
Chap. 81-1971 Contract	12,375.00
Chap. 81-1972 Contract	12,327.90
Chap. 90 Const. 1970 Contract (Chesterfield Rd.).	13,500.00
Chap. 90 Maint. Contract	2,500.00
G. L. Chap. 58 Sec. 18B	16,164.38
Snow Removal	1,132.75
	58,000.03

From Hampshire County Treasurer

Chap. 90 Maint.-1971 Contract	2,500.00
Chap. 90 Const.-1969 Contract	1,125.00
	3,625.00

Schools:

From Massachusetts State Treasurer	
School Aid Chap. 70	46,029.93
Chap. 74 Outside Trans.	2,772.00
Chap. 74 Vocational Tuition	3,499.00
Chap 69 & 71	2,250.00
Chap. 71 Sec. 7A Sept. 71 thru June 72	14,580.12
Chap. 71 Aid to towns in Reg. Distr.	10,439.35
State Ward Tuition	1,036.30
State Ward Transportation	299.62
	80,906.32

School Milk Program		
Sale of Milk to Pupils	680.42	
State Reimbursement	308.07	
	988.49	
Other Income:		
From Massachusetts State Treasurer		
State Aid to Free Pub. Libraries	1,000.00	
Livestock Disease Control	12.50	
State Valuation Basis	1,563.00	
G.L. Chap. 58-Lottery	2,372.18	
	4,947.68	
From Hampshire County Treasurer		
Kill and Care	614.00	
Dog License Refund	105.48	
	719.48	
Temporary Loans:		
Purchase of Dump Site (April)	6,400.00	
Anticip. of Revenue (May)	50,000.00	
Anticip. of Revenue (June)	50,000.00	
Anticip. of Revenue (Aug.)	30,000.00	
Anticip. of Reimbursement-H'way-(Dec.)	13,800.00	
	150,200.00	
Federal Sharing Revenue		11,014.00
Miscellaneous:		
Federal Withholding Tax Deduc.	11,456.55	
State Tax Deductions	2,941.95	
Retirement Deductions	1,412.75	
Blue C/S Deductions	827.87	
Equitable Life Assur. Deduc.	51.24	
From Town Clerk-Dog Licenses	805.05	
Use of Town Machinery	75.00	
Pistol Permits	48.00	
Gun Registration	10.00	
3rd. Cl. Motor Veh. Dealer's License	50.00	
Lord's Day License	10.00	
Milk Dealer's License	4.00	
Family Type Camp License	2.50	
Tourist Camp License	2.50	
Sewage Disp. Installer's Permit	14.00	
Sale of Oil Burner	50.00	
Permit to Conduct Raffle	10.00	
District Court Fines	35.00	
Blue C/S Refund	34.00	
Sanding Parking Lot-Reg. School	30.00	
Rental of Dump by H. R. S.	180.00	

Refund-Norwood Oil Co.	14.96
Refund-Fire Ins. Policy	127.00
Equitable Life Assur. Dividend	18.18
Savings Bank Interest on Deposits	1,362.26
Machine Fund Earnings	6,409.60
	————— 25,981.51
Interest from Trust Funds	
Cemetery	194.16
Welfare:	
Whiting Street Fund	72.44
Wright Fund	52.48
Thayer Fund	52.48
	————— 371.56
	————— \$591,613.22

EXPENDITURES

Paid Selectmen's Orders	\$431,618.21
Paid School Committee Orders	104,550.84
Paid Cooper's Dairy	990.36
Paid P. L. 874 Title I	97.51
Ret. to Commonwealth of Mass. Title II	7.35
Paid Retro-Active Teacher's Pay	875.65
Balance on Hand January 1, 1973	53,473.30
	————— \$591,613.22

ROAD MACHINERY

Balance on Hand January 1, 1972	\$ 7,248.16
Department Earnings	6,409.60
Received from State for Snow Removal	1,132.75
	————— \$ 14,789.41
Transferred to Road Machinery Account	6,000.00
Transferred to Road Mach. Acct. to defray deficit in 1967 Acct.	22.17
Balance on Hand January 1, 1973	————— \$ 8,767.24

STABILIZATION FUND

Balance on Hand January 1, 1972	\$21,306.70
Interest Income for 1972	1,142.97
	————— \$ 22,449.67

OUTSTANDING TAXES

1971 Excise	\$ 104.12
1972 Real Estate	7,771.46
1972 Personal Property	246.00
1972 Excise	2,321.71
	————— \$ 10,443.29

FUNDS HELD IN TRUST BY THE TOWN

Cemetery:

Principal	1972 Interest
\$2,000.00 Lucy Totman	\$105.00
500.00 O. C. Bridgman	26.24
500.00 Charles G. Loud	26.24
100.00 Myra G. Strong	5.24
100.00 Sara C. Cook	5.24
100.00 George Burt	5.24
100.00 Samuel Edwards	5.24
100.00 Arthur L. Searle	5.24
100.00 Emma G. Damon	5.24
50.00 David L. Brown	2.64
50.00 Susan A. Loud	2.60
	<hr/> \$ 194.16

Welfare:

\$1,380.85 Whiting Street	72.44
1,000.00 Wright	52.48
1,000.00 Thayer	52.48
	<hr/> \$ 177.40
	<hr/> \$371.56

Respectfully submitted,
 OLGA C. HATHAWAY
Treasurer

REPORT OF THE AUDITOR

I have examined the Accounts of the Town Treasurer and find them to be as submitted; showing disbursements to the amount of \$538,139.92 which includes paid Selectmen's orders of \$431,618.21; paid School Committee orders of \$104,550.84; paid Cooper's Dairy \$990.36; paid Public Law 874 Title I \$97.51; paid Retro-Active Teacher's Pay \$875.65; returned to Commonwealth of Massachusetts Title II \$7.35. Also showing a balance in the treasury of \$53,473.30 which includes First National Bank of Northampton \$12,122.80; - Florence Savings Bank \$10.00; East-Savings Bank \$10.00; Northampton Institution for Savings \$11,014.00; and cash on hand \$30,316.50.

Respectfully submitted,
 PRISCILLA A. MILLER
Auditor

REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR — 1972

1971	Personal Property Tax		
	Tax Due 1/1/72	735.05	
	Tax Collected	735.05	
	Tax Outstanding		none
	Demand Fees Collected	2.00	
	Warrant Fees Collected	1.00	
	Interest Charges Collected	18.09	
1971	Real Estate Tax		
	Tax Due 1/1/72	5,532.26	
	Tax Collected	5,532.26	
	Tax Outstanding		none
	Demand Fees Collected	18.00	
	Warrant Fees Collected	4.00	
	Interest Charges Collected	207.85	
1971	Motor Vehicle Excise		
	Tax Due 1/1/72	2,395.00	
	Commitment issued 2/16/72	1,916.94	
	Commitment issued 7/12/72	2,344.08	
	Commitment issued 9/6/72	4.95	
	Commitment issued 10/18/72	104.04	
		4,370.01	
	Total Tax Due	6,765.01	
	Abatements	(-696.50)	
	Tax Collected	5,964.39	
	Tax Outstanding		104.12
	Demand Fees Collected	28.00	
	Warrant Fees Collected	12.00	
	Interest Charges Collected	38.49	
1972	Farm Animal Excise		
	Commitment issued 8/30/72	494.50	
	Tax Collected	494.50	
	Tax Outstanding		none
1972	Personal Property Tax		
	Commitment issued 8/30/72	28,966.00	
	Tax Collected	28,720.00	
	Tax Outstanding		246.00
1972	Real Estate Tax		
	Commitment issued 8/30/72	169,141.00	
	Commitment issued 12/10/72	270.40	
	Total Tax Due	169,411.40	
	Abatements	(-5,103.20)	

Tax Collected	156,536.74
Tax Outstanding	7,771.46
Interest Charges Collected	2.96
1972 Motor Vehicle Excise	
1st Commitment issued 7/12/72	3,415.50
2nd Commitment issued 7/26/72	3,214.20
3rd Commitment issued 8/2/72	3,567.30
4th Commitment issued 8/30/72	1,768.80
5th Commitment issued 11/22/72	3,730.41
 Total Tax Due	15,696.21
Abatements	(-982.25)
Tax Collected	12,392.25
Tax Outstanding	2,321.71
Demand Fees Collected	12.00

RECAPITULATION

Taxes Due	\$227,600.41
Less Abatements	(-6,781.95)
Total Taxes Collected	210,375.19
Total Taxes Outstanding	10,443.29
Total Demand Fees Collected	60.00
Total Warrant Fees Collected	17.00
Total Interest Charges Collected	267.39

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES OGNIBENE

Tax Collector

REPORT OF THE CENTER CEMETERY

In January, the Highway Department hauled a large stockpile of loam from the Cole Poultry Farm.

The new section of the Cemetery (Sec.III) was smoothed and seeded, and will have to be cleaned and mowed starting this spring.

We had the help of two high school students and Highway Department men in painting the fence during the summer.

There were eight (8) burials this year, and five (5) foundations for monuments were poured.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS VACHULA

Caretaker

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

Books, exhibits and movies were the great attractions at the library this year.

Book circulation has increased steadily, with new books being constantly put out for use. The latest shipment has arrived and is ready for your enjoyment.

Exhibits have gone over very well. More are planned for this year.

The movies, two of which have been shown, had a total of 157 persons attending. Boy Scouts supplied the refreshments of soda and popcorn. More are planned on the last Saturday of each month until April.

Story Hours were held with 106 children attending the 7 programs. I appreciate all the time donated and the variety of programs planned.

Summer Reading has been good for a few and not so good for the many children who want to participate but are going on vacations. This will be replaced by a reading program of longer duration.

Decoupage Classes were held in September and October with 18 attending. Many lovely pictures were made and the exhibit of this handiwork was well received.

So many people have been so wonderful this year with their many donations of books, firewood, time, and good advice, that to list them all would take much time. A special note of thanks to our many young people who have given willingly many times to the many projects that could not have been done without them.

Respectfully submitted,

GAIL FERNALD

Librarian

REPORT OF THE PLUMBING INSPECTOR

New Installations Permits 2; Repair Permits 0;
Inspections 2.

As of May 1972, the town adopted the Massachusetts State Plumbing Code. If any questions should arise, please feel free to call me.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES G. HICKEY

WELL-CHILD CONFERENCES

The annual Well-Child Conferences open to all town pre-schoolers, were held on April 26th and May 3, 1972.

Our special thanks to the church directors for allowing us to use the church facilities.

We are also grateful for the volunteer and professional help which made this Clinic both possible and successful. Twenty-seven physical examinations were given by Dr. Selkirk. Mrs. Stella Swanson, our dental hygienist, examined the teeth of eight children. A total of thirty-three immunizations and twenty-nine tuberculin skin tests (tine) were done.

With the guidance and cooperation of the faculty of the University of Massachusetts School of Nursing, we were able to do visual and auditory screening and child-care teaching. Many thanks to our eight volunteers and two university students who worked so cheerfully and diligently.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS.) RUTH M. SULLIVAN R.N.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS

Only one public hearing was held in 1972. This hearing concerned Section IV Article 3 of the Protective Zoning By-Laws which regulates the size of signs to be displayed in Westhampton. The variance was granted.

Property owners in Westhampton are requested to review the Protective By-Laws and obtain proper permits before making any changes in their property.

Members of the Board of Appeals are:

Earl Gett, Sr.

John Wright

John Lynes, Alternate

Esther Williams, Alternate

Stanley Greenberg, Alternate

John McGinnis, Chairman

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN McGINNIS

Chairman

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Westhampton Fire Department had a relatively quiet year pertaining to any major fires, for which we are all grateful. Several runs were made for fires which resulted in only minor damage. This was attributed to the immediate notification of the fire to us and the quick response of the men in the department.

New equipment purchased this year includes a smoke ejector as well as first-aid equipment, which by agreement, will be used by both the police and fire departments.

We have conducted several drills again this year at Hampshire Regional School for firemen's practice. In conjunction with Mutual Aid, we have also held a drill with the Southampton Fire Department participating along side our men in order that we might work more effectively in case of any emergency. Other drills were conducted during school hours for the benefit of the faculty, students and administrative personnel.

Permits Issued:

47 Farmers Burning Permits
5 Power Burner and Storage Permits
2 Liquefied Petroleum Gas Permits

There were 10 truck runs, 1 Bomb threat and 2 Resuscitator call this year.

I wish to thank the men in the department, townspeople and town officials for the co-operation given me again this year as Fire Chief.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID K. BRIDGMAN
Fire Chief and Forest Warden

REPORT OF THE SANITATION INSPECTOR

New Installations	9
Repair Permits	9
Percolation Tests	11
Inspections	12

Again this year we wish to thank the townspeople for taking the initiative in correcting their disposal systems.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES G. HICKEY

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Following is a breakdown of Police activities for the year 1972.

- 36 Accidents investigated
- 18 Domestic calls
- 33 Houses checked (Vacations, etc.)
- 6 Breaks investigated
- 2 Stolen cars recovered
- 42 Calls of various other natures

Your Police Department this year has been equipped with equipment to aid and assist the injured and also equipped to help in the apprehension of those who break the law.

This year all Officers of the Police Department have attended classes in Police Procedure to be able to better serve our Town.

The Police and Fire Departments have consulted one another so as not to duplicate emergency equipment and still be able to efficiently serve the Town of Westhampton.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS H. LOUD

Chief of Police

REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

The year 1972 included the following:

Two incidents of dogs worrying livestock (Section 156, "...any person may kill a dog found out of the enclosure of its owner or keeper and not under his immediate care in the act of worrying, wounding or killing persons, livestock or fowls,...") and the owners shot and killed four dogs.

- 58 dog complaints
- 17 reports of missing dogs
- 4 dog bites
- 18 stray dogs returned to owners
- 41 stray dogs picked up

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES H. McGILL

REPORT OF CIVIL DEFENSE

In January 1972 as a result of our eligibility and participation in the Civil Defense Excess Property Program, we were pleased to be allocated a surplus army six-wheel truck at Fort Devens on a no-charge, loan basis. The selectmen and highway department were cooperative in taking advantage of this opportunity, which involved a trip to Fort Devens on short notice to choose and pick up the truck. It has since been painted and put into service by the highway department. Applications for other vehicles for the fire and highway departments have been filed with the state Civil Defense Agency. The annual updating and acceptance of the Westhampton Civil Defense Program Paper qualifies the town to receive surplus vehicles and materials from the state. In 1972, we made two trips to the surplus depot in Taunton and brought back useful tools, hardware, and furniture for the town departments. At two Sector 4C Civil Defense meetings held in Amherst and Northampton, local civil defense directors were briefed on the surplus property programs and other matters relating to Civil Defense. We were required by the state to enroll in the prerequisite course "Civil Defense USA." In conclusion, I wish to thank Mrs. David Bridgeman for her help in carrying out the National Warning System Tests.

Respectfully submitted,

STANLEY GREENBERG
Director of Civil Defense

REPORT OF THE WIRING INSPECTOR

Many new homes were built, as well as renovations - bringing requests for Wiring Permits for all Electric Homes and up-dating of present Services and Existing Wiring.

Cooperation for the permits and inspections has improved. Permits issued and Inspections Made:

- 8 Dwellings
- 3 Schools
- 2 Garages - Repair Shop
- 2 Mfg. Shop and Poultry House

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD C. WILLIAMS
Wiring Inspector

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

The Westhampton Planning Board continues to be concerned with the future of the town. The board maintains its interest in the zoning ordinance passed two years ago. It has no amendments to suggest at this time.

Paul Swanson was appointed Commissioner to the Lower Pioneer Valley Regional Planning Commission, succeeding Fred Brown. This an advisory body in which 39 of the 43 municipalities composing it are represented. Its function is to coordinate planning for the region as a whole. In the ten years of its existence many reports have been issued concerning such subjects as, outdoor recreation and open space, water supply facilities, regional economy and housing inventories. By studying the reports our board is able to obtain knowledge of some of the problems that we may have to face in the future. For the small amount of dues that we contribute annually we receive a vast amount of information as well as having a vote equal with Springfield or Holyoke in the affairs of the Commission.

The members of our board are always glad to hear from any interested taxpayer who has suggestions to present for the good of our town.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD H. TRACY
FRANK HATHAWAY
ELEANOR MILLER
PAUL SWANSON
ROBERT NORRIS

REPORT OF THE GAS INSPECTOR

There have been four illegal gas connections in our Town that I know of. I have asked they be repaired by these persons. They have honored my request.

This following year, I will report to our Police Chief when and where propane tanks have been stolen. I know of six tanks missing and two of them were returned.

Respectfully submitted,

RONALD A. PATTERSON
Gas Inspector

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

During the past year, the Committee was primarily concerned with the compliance to recent Commonwealth legislation concerning the 18 month budget, the hot-lunch program, and a Kindergarten program. Because the implementation of a hot-lunch program and a Kindergarten posed a facilities problem, it was decided that alternatives should be explored. The Selectmen were requested to appoint a Space Needs Committee to examine the possibilities available and recommend to the School Committee what they felt would best serve the Town. The Space Needs Committee recommended an addition to the present structure and as a result the Selectmen were further requested to arrange for the appointment of a Building Committee. The Building Committee was appointed at a Special Town Meeting in December, 1972. It is the sincere desire of the School Committee that the townspeople of Westhampton give serious consideration to the recommendation of the Building Committee in order to best serve the needs of all our children.

In August, the resignation of Thomas Vachula was accepted by the Committee with regret. Mr. Vachula has been chief custodian for Center School and the Committee extends appreciation for his dedication and loyalty. In order to fill the vacancy created by Mr. Vachula's resignation Donald Munson was added to the staff.

The School Committee meets regularly on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at Center School. We welcome all who are concerned with the education of our young people.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK W. BROWN, JR., *Chairman*.
BERNICE FLOREK, *Secretary*
PHILIP J. NORRIS, *Regional School Repr.*

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Appropriations, 1972	\$ 104,550.84
P. L. 874	3,567.18
ESEA Title III	176.01
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Total Budget	108,294.03
Expenditures	104,648.35
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Balance P.L. 874	3,469.67
Balance ESEA Title III	\$ 176.01

EXPENDITURES

Administration

Donald J. Buss, Salary	\$1,094.92
Donald J. Buss, Travel	60.85
Richard E. Dragon, Salary	884.96
Richard E. Dragon, Travel	55.40
Jeanette M. O'Neill, Bus. Mgr.	503.10
Edna K. Cooper, Clerical	252.55
Bernice C. Greenberg, Clerical	312.57
Marilyn W. Ingellis, Clerical	229.84
Sylvia N. Smith, Clerical	252.55
Superintendent Office Expense	194.87
Superintendent Other Expense	21.26
Out-of-State Expense	15.57
Rental - Superintendent's Office	160.00
School Committee Expense	25.37
	\$ 4,063.81

Instruction

Donald E. Macleod, Principal	\$3,811.56	(76.90)*
Principal's Expense	228.54	
	\$ 4,040.10	
Virginia M. Brown	7,411.82	(125.00)*
Eugene H. Callahan, Jr.	7,209.33	(125.00)*
Kathleen P. Halberg	7,479.82	(125.00)*
Dorothy S. Ladd	7,883.13	(137.50)*
Patricia G. Norris	8,589.64	(137.50)*
Margaret J. Tatro	7,209.33	(125.00)*
Substitutes	346.00	
Priscilla Miller, Resource	851.00	
Eleanor R. Scott, Teacher Aide	1,541.25	
Michael E. Korpita, Physical Ed.	2,767.18	
Constance L. Cappelli, Music	1,206.34	
Ruth E. Hawkins, Adjust. Counselor	2,093.93	(17.50)*
Ruth E. Hawkins, Travel	100.00	
	\$ 54,688.77	
Supplies	1,939.30	
Physical Education	1,567.92	
Other Expense	40.00	
Texts	2,108.07	
Library Books	303.61	
Audio Visual Aids	581.60	
Equipment	834.62	
Class Trips	324.00	
Insurance	66.35	

	<i>Health</i>
Eleanor R. Scott, R.N.	\$ 408.42
Abel Ross, D.D.S.	30.00
Health Expense	323.29
	\$ 761.71
	<i>Maintenance</i>
Arnold M. Holt	\$2,122.90
Donald H. Munson	622.50
Thomas Vachula	1,215.10
Custodian Supplies	848.66
Fuel	1,158.75
Utilities	1,597.13
Maintenance	1,763.89
Maintenance to Equipment	146.05
	\$ 9,474.98
	<i>Transportation</i>
Richard W. Tracy, Elementary	3,600.00
Thomas Vachula, Elementary	7,697.23
Mary Lee Morse, Special Class	2,592.00
Thomas Vachula, Vocational	1,946.52
	\$ 15,835.75
	<i>Tuition</i>
Town of Williamsburg, Special Class	1,980.00
Smith's School	5,497.16
Vocational beyond Grade 12	435.60
Adult Education	105.00
	\$ 8,017.76
	<i>Total Expenditures</i>
	\$104,648.35
Regional Operational Assessment	99,213.07
	\$203,861.42
	<i>Receipts</i>
School Aid - Chapter 70	\$ 46,029.93
Vocational Transportation - Chap. 74	2,772.00
Vocational Tuition - Chap. 71	3,499.00
Special Class - Chap. 69 & 71	2,250.00
Transportation - Chap. 71, Sec. 7A	14,580.12
Chap. 71 for Regional School	10,439.35
State Ward - Tuition	1,036.30
State Ward - Transportation	299.32
	\$ 80,906.02
Net School Cost to Town for 1972	\$122,955.40

*Retro-active pay

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Enrollment figures taken as of October 1, 1970, 1971 and 1972 are as follows:

Grade	1970	1971	1972
1	17	21	12
2	27	19	22
3	15	25	18
4	23	17	26
5	18	22	17
6	20	20	21
Special Class	11*	0	0
	—	—	—
Sub Total	131	124	116
Smith's School	8	6	6
Williamsburg Jr. - Sr. High	89	0	0
Williamsburg Special Class	0	2	2
	—	—	—
Total under Westhampton School Committee	228	132	124
Total under Hampshire Regional School Committee	0	100	106
Westhampton Children Attending Public Schools	228	232	230

* Note: Of the 11 pupils who attended Westhampton's Special Class which was conducted at the Church, 9 were from other towns.

The professional staff at the Center School is as follows:

Mr. Donald MacLeod, M.Ed.	Principal
Mrs. Margaret Tatro, B.S.	Grade 1
Mrs. Patricia Norris, B.S.	Grade 2
Mrs. Virginia Brown, B.A.	Grade 3
Mrs. Kathleen Halberg, B.S.E.	Grade 4
Mr. Eugene Callahan, Jr., B.A.	Grade 5
Mrs. Dorothy Ladd, B.A.	Grade 6
Mrs. Ruth Hawkins, M.S.S. Adjust. Counselor (part-time)	
Mrs. Constance Capelli, B.A.	Music (part-time)
Mrs. Patricia Miller, B.A. Resource Teacher (part-time)	

Other Staff members include:

Dr. Theodore Selkirk, M.D.	School Physician
Dr. Abel Ross, D.D.S.	School Dentist
Mrs. Eleanor Scott, R.N.	School Nurse and Teacher Aide
Mr. Arnold Holt	Custodian
Mr. Donald Munson	Custodian

The central administrative office for Westhampton School System is located in the Dunphy School Building in Williamsburg but it functions under the individual direction of the School Committees of Chesterfield, Goshen, Southampton, Westhampton, Williamsburg, and the Hampshire Regional School District. The services performed for these six separate school departments, however, are accomplished under the direction of a single chief administrator as if there was but a *single* school department serving *all* of the children at *all* levels. By sharing the costs of a fully staffed central office, each school department effects a considerable saving over other communities not having such arrangements.

The present central office staff is as follows:

Donald J. Buss, M. Ed.	Superintendent of Schools
Richard E. Dragon, M.Ed.	Asst. Superintendent of Schools
Mrs. Jeanette O'Neill	Business and Office Manager
Mrs. Bernice Greenberg	Bookkeeper
Mrs. Sylvia Smith	Billing and Order Clerk
Mrs. Edna Cooper	Clerk Typist
Mrs. Marilyn Ingellis	Clerk Typist

In accordance with the agreement under which the five Towns (School Union #66) and the Region jointly share expenditures for a common central administrative office, the following percentages shall apply for the coming year:

Region	50.000%	Southampton	20.425
Chesterfield	6.170	Westhampton	5.065
Goshen	4.655	Williamsburg	13.685
100.000%			

Two current regulations of the Department of Education have a direct effect upon the Town of Westhampton; establishment of a Kindergarten Class and the institution of a full school lunch program by September of 1973. Inasmuch as there is no available space at the Center School with which to conduct these programs, the School Committee has asked the Town to provide a sufficient amount of additional space with which to carry out these required elementary educational programs. As of this writing, alternatives are being considered but no firm decisions have been made as to how best to provide for these needs. It is hoped that one or more alternative plans proposed by the Building Committee and approved by the School Committee can be presented to the voters for action at the annual town meeting in 1973.

In 1971, the California Supreme Court, followed by Texas and several other states, ruled that the kind of education a child receives should not be limited by the tax base of a community in which he lives. As a result, it seems only a matter of time before Massachusetts, too, is faced with the task of changing its current system of financing public education. Such a change could very well go as far as a complete State take-over of the raising of funds for educational purposes. Although many citizens might welcome this as a means to lessen the financial burden carried by the home owner, it seems unlikely that such a change could occur without a significant loss of local control as well as new kinds of state wide taxation to support the program. Local control has a price and we may be facing that question sooner than we think.

The real strength of any school system is not its buildings, material or equipment but the people who carry out the instructional program and the custodians, cooks, secretaries, aides and others who support the professional staff. These are the people I would like to thank for actually operating and maintaining the community's school system at a level which reflects the desires of a concerned citizenry.

Respectfully submitted,
DONALD J. BUSS
Superintendent of Schools

REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR

During the year 1972, 33 permits were issued as follows:

4 New Dwellings	\$ 71,000.00
1 Summer Cottage	8,200.00
2 Mobile Homes	4,600.00
2 Additions to Houses	15,500.00
3 Renovations to House	8,320.00
7 Garages	10,000.00
5 Storage Buildings	3,305.00
6 Barns	5,650.00
1 Addition to Barn	2,500.00
1 Silo	100.00
1 Demolish Barn	
	\$129,175.00

Respectfully submitted,
RICHARD H. TRACY
Building Inspector

REPORT OF THE HAMPSHIRE REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The Hampshire Regional School Committee held on the average of two meetings a month the past year at the Regional School in Westhampton, Massachusetts. At the annual meeting in March, 1972, Philip Norris was elected Chairman, with Rene Tetrault as Vice-Chairman, Cynthia McQueston as Secretary, and Mrs. Jeanette O'Neill as treasurer.

New members on the committee at the beginning of the year were Thomas Chunglo from Chesterfield replacing Fred Chick and David Teece from Southampton replacing Henry Kowal. Other changes in the membership during the year included: Fred Chick from Chesterfield replacing Thomas Chunglo, James Lucey from Southampton replacing Edward Youmell, Kim Dresser from Goshen replacing Rene Tetrault, Ralph Plaza from Southampton replacing David Teece, David Dewey from Williamsburg replacing Ronald Schuster.

A five-member student advisory committee was established. The students were elected from the student body to attend one meeting a month. At this time they could bring in ideas and suggestions to discuss with the school board. This helped keep the communication open between the school board and students.

Our Individual Learning Center was expanded, aiding more students with special attention in certain areas. This special program is designed to provide for the needs of students with special or unusual learning problems who in the past had to be tuitioned to special classes out of the district.

Graduation was held in the school gymnasium on June 16, 1972 with Mr. Henry Derouin as the guest speaker. 71 students were graduated.

In September for the first time, two-year contracts were signed with the teachers and custodians. With an eighteen-month budget coming up, it helped ease planning for the new fiscal year.

Budget meetings were held this past Fall with representatives from the five District Towns. We feel that these meetings helped enhance the understanding of the District's financial problems. On November 27, 1972, a

budget of \$2,348,211.00 was adopted to meet the District's needs for the period beginning January 1, 1973 and ending on June 30, 1974. On December 7, it was voted to assess the Towns a total of \$1,846,211.00 with the difference of \$502,000.00 being taken from Anticipated Receipts and Surplus Funds.

As the second year of operation began in September, the School's program continued to expand - especially in extra co-curricular areas which were restricted during the first year because of the outdoor facilities which had not been completed. Only a few minor tasks remain for the Building Committee to complete and we hope to be able to formally accept the building early in 1973.

Respectfully submitted,

Philip J. Norris, *Chairman*

Homer R. Bissell

Erwin J. Cepek

Fred Chick

David W. Dewey

Kim Dresser

Norm Kirk

James P. Lucey

Arthur L. McLaughlin

Cynthia McQueston, *Secy.*

Barbara Parker

James H. Miller

Louis J. Poirier

Ralph Plaza

Donald Warren

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

The enrollment at Hampshire Regional High School as of October 1, 1972 was as follows:

Grade	Chester-field	Sout-Goshen	West-hampton	Williamsburg	Total
7	17	18	72	19	61 187
8	22	15	79	18	55 189
9	13	9	78	17	49 166
10	15	14	73	26	45 173
11	18	8	62	16	47 151
12	10	4	43	10	36 103
P. G.	0	1	1	0	2 4
	95	69	408	106	295 973

Hampshire Regional Students enrolled in other schools:

Holyoke	0	0	1	0	0	1
Northampton	0	0	1	0	1	2
	0	0	2	0	1	3
Grand Total	95	69	410	106	296	976

The Regional Agreement specifies that each town shall have two members on the School Committee plus one additional member for each 100 pupils as enrolled on October 1st of each year. In accordance with the provisions of that Agreement, Southampton and Westhampton will each elect an additional member at the next regular town election. When the newly created vacancies have been filled in 1973, the membership of the School Committee will be raised from 15 to 17 as follows:

	Elected	Appointed	Total
Chesterfield	1	1	2
Goshen	1	1	2
Southampton	5	1	6
Westhampton	2	1	3
Williamsburg	3	1	4
	12	5	17

Personnel who left the District in 1972 included the following:

Mrs. Donna Maytum, A.B.	Mathematics
Miss Patsy Peterson, B.A.	Remedial Reading
Miss Lorraine Gomes, B.S.	Physical Education
Mrs. Dena Walters, M.A.	English
Mrs. Kathleen Bennett, M.A.	English
Mrs. Broke Gloger, M.A. (leave of absence)	Art
Mrs. Wendy Robinson, B.A.	English
Mr. Peter Romer, B. Ed.	Industrial Arts
Mr. David Southwick, B.A.	Science
Mrs. Margaret Halberstadt, M.A. (leave of absence)	English
Mr. Robert Cousins	Custodians
Mrs. Joyce Morin	Cook

Personnel newly employed by the District included:	
Mrs. Debra LaGess, B.A.	Mathematics
Miss Susan Kotler, M.A.	Remedial Reading
Miss June Scopinich, M.S.	Physical Education
Mr. Gary Metras, B.A.	Speech
Mr. George Biggs, B.A.	English
Mrs. Donna Phillips, B.F.A.	Art
Mr. Ralph Hancewicz, M.A.T.	English
Mr. David LaVigne, B.A.	Industrial Arts
Mr. Steven Garanin, M.Ed.	Science
Mrs. Katherine Pasch, M.A.T.	English
Mrs. Mary Harig, B.A.	English
Mr. Ralph Strycharz, B.S.	Business Subjects
Mr. David Johnston, B.S.	Social Studies
Miss Carol Gajewski, B.A.	Math

Mr. Ralph Anderson, B.Ed.	Science
Mr. Charles Griggs, B.S.Ed.	Individual Learning Center
Mr. Nathaniel Smith	ILC Aide
Mr. Murray Clapp	Custodian
Mrs. Enid Huntley	Cook

Although the Regional School has been in operation for a little over one school year, the project is not quite complete. There are a few items of equipment still to be purchased and a planned outside storage building has been delayed because of the weather. Nevertheless, when the final cost figures do come in, the total could conceivably be between \$200,000 and \$300,000 less than originally planned. To date, the School Committee has borrowed \$200,000 less than was authorized by the towns. In addition, \$99,712.00 in interest earned which was originally planned to be used toward the cost of the school, was used by the Committee to reduce the assessments to the member towns for the 1973-1974 transitional budget year. These savings were due to the efforts of the Building Committee whose members have worked tirelessly to obtain the best possible value for each dollar invested.

Most school systems will show significantly budgetary increases in the transitional budget year due to a number of unavoidable circumstances. This is not the case with Hampshire Regional, however, as evidenced by the fact that the quarterly assessments which each member town must deliver to the Regional Treasurer, will not be increased significantly in 1973 or the first half of 1974. A basic reason for being able to keep the new budget in check even with increased enrollment and higher costs for goods and services, is the fact that expenditures during the first school year of operation are (and were) admittedly higher than normal. Indications are that the 1972-73 cost per pupil will be approximately \$50 less than for 1971-72. A comparison of the "quarterly" assessment payment schedules follows:

	1972 Calendar Year	1973-4 Transitional Year	Changes
Chesterfield	\$ 31,797.31	\$ 29,951.70	(—)\$1,845.31
Goshen	17,927.42	21,751.44	(+) 3,824.02
Southampton	127,867.49	129,259.39	(+) 1,391.90
Westhampton	33,829.12	33,419.49	(—) 409.63
Williamsburg	92,742.65	93,319.81	(+) 577.16

Note: Each community made 4 quarterly payments in 1972. In the transitional budget period, beginning Jan-

uary 1, 1973 and ending June 30, 1974, each community will make 6 "quarterly" payments.

Included in the budget for the coming year is a sum to initiate an adult education program. Just what such a program might include will depend upon the interest shown within the District and the capabilities of the School Department to meet those needs both educationally and financially.

During the first year of operation it must be reported that programs and activities to which the general public was invited, were not well attended in certain instances. At a time when the costs of public education continue to take a greater proportion of the ever increasing tax dollar, it is extremely important that the public takes an equally increasing interest in how those tax dollars are being invested. How many dollars to appropriate is one thing; seeing for one's self how those dollars are being spent is quite another.

Several important pieces of legislation concerning schools were passed during 1972. Among them included the following:

1. A law prohibiting teachers and other school personnel from inflicting corporal punishment upon students. This law which negates the principal of "in loco parentis" means that parents will have to assume a greater degree of responsibility for the actions and conduct of their children while in school.

2. A law requiring all school committees to conduct public hearings on their proposed budgets. This law permits formal in depth questioning of proposed school committee budgets before they are actually adopted for action at annual town meetings. The intent of the law is to insure that all voters have the opportunity to express their opinion on any or all parts of the budget before it is actually finalized by the school committee. Unfortunately, few citizens took advantage of the opportunity in 1972.

3. A law, to become effective in September of 1974, which requires that each school committee shall provide an appropriate educational program for every child who may have difficulty arising from, "...intellectual, sensory, emotional or physical factors, cerebral dysfunctions, perceptual factors, or other specific learning disability or any combinations thereof..." This law will greatly benefit the physically, mentally and emotionally handicapped children of the district but it will also mean increased educational expenditures.

4. An amendment to an act which now permits a town or district to provide reimbursement for transportation costs incurred as a result of a child attending a private school outside of that town or district regardless of whether or not the town or district has its own school. In the past, such reimbursement was *required* when a town or district did not have its own school and was *prohibited* when a town or district did have its own school. Inasmuch as paying for the transportation costs for students attending private schools is a reimbursable expense (Chap. 70) and inasmuch as those attending private schools do in fact reduce public school expenditures, it was decided to provide reimbursement not to exceed \$100 per pupil per school year for those qualified to receive it.

Planning, opening and operating a new school during its first year of operation is no small task. Our first year was quite successful and my thanks and appreciation go to each and every employee of the Region for contributing to that success.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD J. BUSS
Superintendent of Schools

HAMPSHIRE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

TREASURER'S REPORT

January 1, 1972 through December 31, 1972

BALANCE SHEET — December 31, 1972

Assets

Cash	
General Fund	\$ 271,603.13
Construction Fund	54,154.66
	—————
	\$ 325,757.79
Loans Authorized	239,530.00
Total Assets	\$ 565,287.79

Liabilities

Loans Authorized and Unissued	\$ 239,530.00
Surplus Revenue	
Funds reserved to pay 1972	
Incompleted orders	6,530.71
General Surplus	10,633.66
Funds to be used to reduce	
1973 assessments	99,712.00
	—————
	116,876.37

Gifts	240.25
ESEA Title II Library Project	25.22
Cafeteria Revolving Fund	710.68
Athletic Fund	.61
Temporary Loans	153,750.00
Construction	54,154.66
Total Liabilities	\$ 565,287.79

DEBT ACCOUNTS — December 31, 1972

Net Funded or Fixed Debts:

1. School Notes 1968-1973	
Interest Rate 3% (Loan #1)	\$ 4,000.00
2. School Bonds 1968-1987	
Interest Rate 5% (Loan #2)	165,000.00
3. School Bonds 1970-1989	
Interest Rate 6.5% (Loan #4)	3,310,000.00
	\$ 3,479,000.00

Serial Loans

School Planning	4,000.00
Interest Payable - May 20 & Nov. 20	
Principal Payment - Nov. 20	
School Planning	165,000.00
Interest Payable - June 15 & Dec. 15	
Principal Payable - Dec. 15	
School Construction	3,310,000.00
Interest Payable - April 1 & Oct. 1	
Principal Payable - October 1	\$ 3,479,000.00

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS & EXPENDITURES Year Ending December 31, 1972

Operating Costs	Budgeted	Transferred*	Expended	Balance
Administration	38,281.50	105.70	40,929.39—	2,542.19
Instruction	651,342.95	11,281.35	681,566.51—	18,942.21
Other School Services	242,782.83	851.32	238,507.19+	5,126.96
Operation of Plant	103,323.64	747.19	82,374.68+	21,696.15
Fixed Charges	45,235.92	65.00	36,848.30+	8,452.62
Community Services			529.64—	529.64
Programs with Other				
Districts	20,076.60	187.50	19,754.50+	509.60
Capital Costs				
Acquisition of Fixed Costs	335.00	395.00	705.00+	25.00
Debt Ret. & Service	451,065.00		451,065.00	
Budgeted	1,552,443.44			
Transferred		13,633.06		
Expended			1,552,280.21	
Balance to Surplus				13,796.29

*Transferred from Surplus Funds Reserved to pay 1971 bills

**STATEMENT OF
CASH RECEIPTS & DISBURSEMENTS**
Year Ending December 31, 1972

Cash on Hand January 1, 1972		\$ 515,332.51
Receipts		
Assessment Revenue		
Chesterfield	\$ 127,189.21	
Goshen	71,709.70	
Southampton	511,469.99	
Westhampton	135,316.47	
Williamsburg	370,970.57	
	\$ 1,216,655.94	
Interest Earned		
Savings Account		
Operational	6,557.91	
Construction	4,103.68	10,661.59
Grants		
Planning Grant	163,000.12	163,000.12
Gifts		
Southampton Lions Club	140.00	
Chesterfield Fire Dept.	50.00	
Southampton Fire Dept.	50.00	
Westhampton Fire Dept.	50.00	
Williamsburg Fire Dept.	25.00	315.00
Commissions		
N. E. Telephone	87.61	87.61
State & Federal Payments		
P. L. 874	8,699.00	
Ch. 69 & 71 Sp. Ed.	2,310.00	
Ch. 71 Transportation	94,332.92	
Mass. Div. Child Guardianship	4,028.15	
Conn. Div. Child Guardianship	697.70	
Mass. Highway Safety	12,000.00	
Mass. Div. of Library Extension		
ESEA Title II Project	1,307.85	123,375.62
Cafeteria Receipts		
Lunch Receipts	34,582.32	
Reimbursements	17,926.43	
Misc.	102.66	52,611.41
Temporary Loans		
State Street Bank, Boston	250,000.00	
Valley Bank, Springfield	153,750.00	403,750.00
Insurance Claims		
The Hartford Insurance Group -		
Driver Car	125.30	

Insurance Co. of N.A. Vandalism	841.99	967.29
Athletic Revolving Fund		
Gate Receipts	2,271.00	
Basketball Shoes	155.25	
Soccer Shoes	24.00	
Track Shoes	271.55	
W. Mass. Tournament Comm.	47.01	2,768.81
Dividends		
Equitable Life Assurance Society	58.03	58.03
Misc. Receipts		
Driver Ed Fees	3,645.00	
Transcripts	26.00	
Vending Machines	93.25	
(plus \$8.00 reported under Insurance Claims)		
Janitor & Police - Activities	435.78	
Gym Suits	198.60	
Lost Items	21.20	
Tel. Calls	12.34	4,432.17
Employee Payroll Deductions		
Teacher Retirement	29,968.44	
County Retirement	5,179.32	
Annuities	3,140.00	
Federal Withholding	108,132.70	
State Withholding	29,733.13	
Blue Cross - Blue Shield	10,403.22	
(plus 45.85 refund)		
Equitable Life Insurance	574.18	
MTA and NEA Dues	2,816.72	
MTA Credit Union Deposits	200.00	
MTA Credit Union Loan Payments	170.00	190,317.71
Refunds		
Blue Cross	71.71	
Williamsburg Insurance		
Workmen's Comp.	1,150.00	
First National Bank		
Overcharge Adjustments	.09	1,221.80
Total Receipts		2,170,233.10
Total Balance and Receipts		\$ 2,685,565.61

Note, \$59,417.08-Anticipated transportation
reimbursement not received.

Disbursements 1972

Employee Payroll Deductions		
Teacher Retirement	\$ 31,997.54	
County Retirement	5,505.38	
Annuities	3,260.00	

Federal Withholding	115,072.90
State Withholding	31,768.47
Blue Cross - Blue Shield	11,177.88
Equitable Life Insurance	627.10
MTA - NEA Dues	3,075.10
MTA - Credit Union Deposits	170.00
MTA Credit Union Loan Payments	200.00
Toward Debt Service	202,854.37
Toward Debt Retirement	237,065.00
Operational Costs	214,000.00
Gifts (+140.00 transfferer to Const. Fund)	1,101,288.75
Vandalism	34.75
Athletic Fund	907.08
Library Project	2,768.20
Cafeteria	1,282.63
Temporary Loans	55,704.88
Construction Costs	250,000.00
Total Disbursements	293,902.16
	<u>2,359,807.82</u>
Cash on Hand December 31, 1972	\$325,757.79

STATEMENT OF THE CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT
Year Ending December 31, 1972

Balance as of January 1, 1972	\$ 184,916.70
Receipts	
Transferred from Gift Account	\$ 140.00
Planning Grant	163,000.12
Total Receipts	163,140.12
Total Balance and Receipts	\$ 348,056.82
Expenditures	
Construction	
A. P. Casella	127,034.86
D. A. Sullivan	88,890.20
Equipment	
Agway	40.59
Allen Lawnmower Co.	1,960.00
Alvin & Co.	138.23
Beacon Musical	990.00
Bidwell Co.	2,469.50
Bisbee Bros.	2,693.58
T. F. Brazell	7,906.00
W. H. Brine Co.	1,991.70
Bro-Dart, Inc.	62.50
Brodhead Garrett Co.	1,395.13
Bumpa-Tel	108.90
Burton Industries	83.40
C & I Distributors	1,057.12

Caldor	295.90
Cambosco, Inc.	3,758.59
Edward L. Canter, Inc.	231.80
Timothy Carroll	100.00
Computer Design Co.	1,945.00
Cowan Auto Supply	839.72
Davis & Nye, Inc.	1,989.40
Kenneth A. Dawson	1,285.00
E. A. Delisle Co.	32.70
Economy Office Equip.	169.03
Elm Electrical Co.	2,661.63
Encyclopedia Britannica	148.95
Exotic Aquarium	605.62
Fenton's Athletic Supply	4,117.02
Ferrante Co.	250.00
Carl Fischer, Inc.	78.75
Fitzgerald Fences	1,657.00
Gale Research Co.	43.00
Gillum Book Co.	36.00
B. Golden & Sons	810.00
Gribbon's Band	2,126.50
J. L. Hammett	17.88
Hampshire Business Machines	1,075.00
Hampshire Office Products	310.40
Hardware Specialties	90.00
Harrison Harries, Inc.	4,965.95
Heath Co.	19.95
Hoffman Piano Sales	120.00
E. F. Holland	300.00
IBM Corp.	420.00
Jarmak Co.	1,370.00
Alan H. Lampson	2,236.79
Larkin Associates	1,928.00
Litton Business Equipment	146.25
Litton Office Products	352.68
Maharem Fabric Corp.	35.75
Malnco School Supply	175.62
Manchester Co.	296.80
Joseph J. Mantegna	40.00
Mass. Fire Equip. Corp.	795.00
McGraw Hill Book Co.	1,635.00
Midway Electric Supply	604.83
Nasco	70.38
New England School Supply	507.37
New England Seating Co.	1,746.00
Pamco-Eaton, Inc.	52.85
Osley Construction	1,852.70

J. W. Parsons & Son	485.00
Paxton/Patterson	187.03
PPG Industries	676.00
Peter Romer	600.00
Sargent Welch Scientific Co.	1,070.14
School Health Supply	879.25
Sheffield Pottery	1,432.00
Sports Equipment	600.40
Spots Auto & Machine Service	550.00
Springfield Audio & Electronics	1,742.18
Standard Industrial Supply	158.90
Stanley Home Products	816.80
A. E. Thompson	715.37
United Blackboard	1,025.00
Vistron Corp.	9.60
Henry Weis Mfg. -	
John Anderson & Son	418.00
Western Auto Associates	646.40
	\$ 77,255.53

Misc.

H. S. Gere	12.83
N. E. Telephone	600.74
Alan Bardwell, Police Dedication	18.00
Donald Blakesley, Police Dedication	18.00
Joseph Bostic, Police Dedication	18.00
Charles H. Loud, Police Dedication	18.00
Francis H. Loud, Police Dedication	18.00
Peter B. Gromelski, Police Dedication	18.00
Total Expenditures	\$ 293,902.16
Balance as of December 31, 1972	\$ 54,154.66

STATEMENT OF SURPLUS REVENUE

General Fund Surplus 12-31-71	\$ 314,020.86
Less Reduce 1972 Assessments	-166,787.50
Transferred to pay 1972 bills	-13,633.02
	\$ 133,600.34
Unexpended Bal. from Budget	+13,796.29
	\$ 147,396.63
Interest Construction Money	+4,103.68
Vandalism	52.21
Gym Suits	178.40
P.L. 874	8,699.00
	\$ 13,033.29
	160,429.92

Estimated Receipts not Received

(see statement of estimated receipts) \$ -43,553.55

Operation - Surplus 12/31/72 \$ 116,876.37

STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

Estimated Receipts	1-1-72	\$1,385,655.94
Receipts:		
Driver Ed. Fees	3,645.00	
Driver Ed. Project	12,000.00	
Vending Machines	101.25	
Transcript	26.00	
Telephone Calls	12.34	
Ch. 69 & 71 Sp. Ed.	2,310.00	
Pay Tel. Commission	87.61	
Bank Adjustment	.01	
Blue Cross Refund	35.85	
(+35.86 in refunds to refund employees)		
Lost Items	21.20	
Equitable Dividend	58.03	
Conn. Div. Child Guardianship	697.70	
Workmen's Comp. Refund	1,150.00	
Mass. Div. Child Guardianship	4,028.15	
Com. Mass. Trans.		
Reimbursement	94,332.92*	
Assessment Revenue	1,216,655.94	
Interest on Operational Money	6,557.91	
Janitor & Police Service	362.28	
(+73.50 in sp. acct.)		
Gym Suits	20.20	
(+178.40 in sp. acct.)		<hr/>
Total Receipts		\$1,342,102.39
Shortage of Anticipated Receipts	\$	43,553.55

*Anticipated Trans. Reimbursement
not received \$59,417.08

Respectfully submitted,
JEANETTE O'NEILL
Treasurer

HAMPSHIRE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

To: The Treasurers and the Residents of the Towns of Chesterfield, Goshen, Southampton, Westhampton and Williamsburg.

From: The Hampshire Regional School District Committee.

Re: Capital and Operational Assessments for January 1, 1973 through June 30, 1974.

The budget for the Regional District for the period of January 1, 1973 to June 30, 1974, represents the amount of money which will be needed to operate and maintain the District and its school.

The Agreement establishing the Hampshire Regional School District was signed and approved by the Towns of Chesterfield, Cummington, Goshen, Plainfield, Westhampton and Williamsburg in 1962. The Agreement was amended in 1966 to provide for the withdrawal of Cummington and Plainfield, and further amended in that same year to provide for the admission of Southampton.

According to Section V (B) of that Agreement, the Committee shall prepare on or before November 1, a tentative maintenance and operating budget for the ensuing calendar year. The same paragraph specifies that the Committee shall on or before November 15, present copies of that budget to the chairman of the board of selectmen of each member town, to the chairman of the local school committee of each member town, and to the chairman of the finance committee of each member town.

According to Section V (C) of the Agreement, the Committee shall on or before December 1 in each year adopt an annual maintenance and operating budget for the ensuing calendar year, and shall apportion the amounts necessary to be raised in order to meet the said budget. This paragraph also directs that the amounts so apportioned for each member town shall, prior to December 31 of each year preceding the year to which the budget relates, be certified by the regional district treasurer to the treasurers of the member towns, and each member town shall, at its next annual town meeting, appropriates the amounts so certified to it.

This report includes:

- I. Regional budget.
- II. Method of apportionment for the five member towns.
- III. Assessments.

REGIONAL BUDGET, January 1, 1973 - June 30, 1974

Administration

School Committee

Contracted Services	\$ 1,500.00
Supplies and Materials	312.00
Other Expense (In State)	972.00
Other Expense (Out of State)	800.00
Total School Committee	<u>\$ 3,584.00</u>

Superintendent's Office

Professional Salaries	\$ 36,146.00
Clerical Salaries	15,742.00
Contracted Services	1,748.00
Office Expenses	2,753.00
Other Expense (In State)	1,952.00
Other Expense (Out of State)	300.00
Total Superintendent's Office	<u>\$ 58,641.00</u>

Total Administration

\$ 62,225.00

Instruction

Principal's Office

Professional Salaries	\$ 49,286.00
Clerical Salaries	19,142.00
Contracted Services	7,622.00
Office Expenses	3,915.00
Other Expenses	2,517.00
Total Principal's Office	<u>\$ 82,482.00</u>

Teaching

Professional Salaries	\$862,837.00
Contracted Services	4,305.00
Classroom Supplies	43,500.00
Other Expenses	1,450.00
Special Class Salaries	18,313.00
Adult Education	1,600.00
Total Teaching	<u>\$ 932,005.00</u>

Textbooks	\$ 27,553.00
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Library Services

Professional Salaries	\$ 18,926.00
Supplies & Materials	10,200.00
Other Expenses	90.00
Total Library Services	<u>\$ 29,216.00</u>

Audio-Visual Services

Contracted Services	\$ 500.00
Supplies & Materials	7,392.00
Total AVA Services	<u>\$ 7,892.00</u>

Guidance Services		
Professional Services	\$ 51,186.00	
Clerical Services	8,405.00	
Supplies & Materials	976.00	
Other Expense (In State)	780.00	
Total Guidance Services		\$ 61,347.00
Total Instruction		\$1,140,495.00
Other School Services		
Attendance		
Professional Salaries	\$ 3,607.00	
Other Expenses	160.00	
Total Attendance		\$ 3,767.00
Health Services		
Professional Salaries	\$ 12,091.00	
Supplies & Materials	490.00	
Other Expense	3,577.00	
Total Health Services		\$ 16,158.00
Transportation		
Field Trips	\$ 2,000.00	
Regular Transportation	335,310.00	
Special Class	3,800.00	
Total Transportation		\$ 341,110.00
Athletics		
Contracted Services	\$ 8,937.00	
Supplies & Materials	5,935.00	
Other Expenses	2,429.00	
Total Athletics		\$ 17,301.00
Other Student Body Activities		
Contracted Services	\$ 635.00	
Supplies & Materials	2,620.00	
Other Expenses	311.00	
Total Student Body Activities		\$ 3,566.00
Total Other School Services		\$ 381,902.00
Operation and Maintenance of Plant		
Custodial Services		
Salaries	\$ 68,237.00	
Supplies & Materials	4,586.00	
Total Custodial Services		\$ 72,823.00
Fuel		19,300.00
Utilities		32,771.00
Maintenance of Grounds		
Contracted Services	\$ 4,000.00	
Supplies & Materials	600.00	
Total Maintenance of Grounds		\$ 4,600.00

Maintenance of Buildings		
Contracted Services	\$ 2,250.00	
Supplies & Materials	1,184.00	
		\$ 3,434.00
Maintenance of Equipment		
Contracted Services	\$ 5,445.00	
Supplies & Materials	600.00	
		\$ 6,045.00
Total Maintenance of Buildings		\$ 138,973.00
Fixed Charges		
County Retirement System	\$ 17,223.00	
Insurance	35,986.00	
Rent - Superintendent's Office	2,268.00	
Debt Service (Temporary Loans)	17,700.00	
		\$ 73,177.00
Community Services		
Private School Transportation	\$ 5,600.00	
Total Community Services	\$ 5,600.00	
Acquisition of Fixed Assets		
New Equipment (Supt.'s Office)	\$ 832.00	
Total Acquisition of Fixed Assets	\$ 832.00	
Debt Retirement and Service		
Debt Retirement	\$214,000.00	
Debt Service	328,507.00	
		\$ 542,507.00
Programs With Other Districts		
Special Class Tuition	\$ 2,500.00	
Total Programs with Other Districts	\$ 2,500.00	
Total Budget January 1, 1973 - June 30, 1974		\$2,348,211.00

II. METHOD OF APPORTIONMENT FOR THE FIVE MEMBER TOWNS

Section IV (D) of the Agreement states in part that, ". . . Each member town's share of capital and operating costs for each fiscal year shall be determined by computing the ratio which that town's pupil enrollment in the regional district school on October 1 of the year next preceding the year for which the apportionment is determined bears to the total pupil enrollment from all the member towns in the regional district school on the same date . . ."

The following statistics include all pupils enrolled at the Regional School plus those pupils under the jurisdiction of the District who are assigned to special programs in other schools as of October 1, 1972:

Grade	Chester-field	Goshen	Sout-hampton	West-hampton	Williamsburg	Total
7	17	18	72	19	61	187
8	22	15	79	18	55	189
9	13	9	78	17	49	166
10	15	14	73	26	45	173
11	18	8	62	16	47	151
12	10	4	43	10	36	103
P.G.		1	1		2	4
Sub Total	95	69	408	106	295	973
Special Program			2		1	3
Grand Total	95	69	410	106	296	976
Percentages	9.734	7.069	42.008	10.861	30.328	100.00

ASSESSMENTS

A. Summary of the 1973-1974 Budget

	Operating	+	Capital	=	Total
Administration	\$ 62,225.00			\$	62,225.00
Instruction	1,140,495.00				1,140,495.00
Other School Services	381,902.00				381,902.00
Operation & Maintenance	138,973.00				138,973.00
Fixed Charges	73,177.00				73,177.00
Community Services	5,600.00				5,600.00
Acquisition of Fixed Assets		832.00			832.00
Debt Retirement & Service		542,507.00			542,507.00
Programs with Other School Districts	2,500.00				2,500.00
Total	\$1,804,872.00	+	543,339.00	=	2,348,211.00

B. Sources of Revenue

1. State Construction Grant:	\$ 240,788.00
2. Anticipated Receipts:	161,500.00
3. Surplus Funds:	99,712.00
4. Assessment Appropriations:	1,846,211.00
Total	\$ 2,348,211.00

C. Operational Assessments

1. Operational portion of the 1973-1974 budget:	\$1,804,872.00
a. Less Surplus Funds	99,712.00
b. Less Anticipated Receipts	161,500.00
To be raised through Assessments	\$1,543,660.00

2	Operational Assessments to Member Towns:				
a.	Chesterfield:	9.734%	\$	150,259.87	
b.	Goshen:	7.069		109,121.33	
c.	Southampton:	42.008		648,460.69	
d.	Westhampton.	10.861		167,656.91	
e.	Williamsburg:	30.328		468,161.20	
	Total	100.000%	\$	1,543,660.00	
D.	Capital Assessments				
1.	Capital portion of the 1973-1974 budget:		\$	543,339.00	
a.	Less State Construction Grant:			240,788.00	
	To be raised through Assessments:		\$	302,551.00	
2.	Capital Assessments to Member Towns:				
a.	Chesterfield:	9.734%	\$	29,450.31	
b.	Goshen:	7.069		21,387.33	
c.	Southampton:	42.008		127,095.63	
d.	Westhampton:	10.861		32,860.06	
e.	Williamsburg	30.328		91,757.67	
	Total	100.000%	\$	302,551.00	
E.	Total Assessments for 1973-1974				
	Operational	+ Capital	=	Total	
a.	Chesterfield	\$150,259.87	29,450.31	179,710.18	
b.	Goshen	109,121.33	21,387.33	130,508.66	
c.	Southampton	648,460.69	127,095.63	775,556.32	
d.	Westhampton	167,656.91	32,860.06	200,516.97	
e.	Williamsburg	468,161.20	91,757.67	559,918.87	
	Total	\$1,543,660.00 + 302,551.00	=	1,846,211.00	

In order to comply with Section IV (E) of the Regional Agreement as amended, the Treasurers of the Towns of Chesterfield, Goshen, Southampton, Westhampton, and Williamsburg, are requested to pay their proportionate share of the capital and operating costs as described herein to the Treasurer of the Hampshire Regional School District (Mrs. Jeanette M. O'Neill, Office of the Superintendent of Schools, Williamsburg, Mass.)

Payment Due	Chesterfield	Goshen	Southampton	Westhampton	Williamsburg
April 1, 1973	29,951.70	21,751.44	129,259.39	33,419.49	93,319.81
June 1, 1973	29,951.69	21,751.45	129,259.38	33,419.50	93,319.81
Sept. 1, 1973	29,951.70	21,751.44	129,259.39	33,419.49	93,319.81
Dec. 1, 1973	29,951.70	21,751.44	129,259.39	33,419.50	93,319.81
Mar. 1, 1974	29,951.69	21,751.45	129,259.38	33,419.50	93,319.81
June 1, 1974	29,951.70	21,751.44	129,259.39	33,419.49	93,319.82
Totals	\$179,710.18	130,508.66	775,556.32	200,516.97	559,918.87

For the Hampshire Regional School District

JEANETTE M. O'NEILL, Treasurer

DONALD J. BUSS, Superintendent

FINANCE COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

The first meeting of the Finance Committee was held on September 7, 1972. James O. Hickey was elected chairman and Leroy Miller was elected secretary. A discussion was held of the change of our tax year to eighteen months.

At the September 7, 1972, meeting it was voted to transfer from the Reserve Fund the sum of \$198.00 to the Dog Officer Account for the kill and care of dogs.

At the December 6th meeting, the Finance Committee approved the transfer of \$1,240.00 from the Reserve Fund to the Snow Removal, Sanding, and Roadwork Account to pay bills. They also approved the transfer of \$311.80 from the Reserve Fund to the Library Account to pay bills.

At the December 28th meeting, the Finance Committee voted to transfer \$250.17 from the Reserve Fund to the Road Machinery Account to pay a bill on the road grader.

On January 23, 1973, a public hearing of the grade school budget was held. The budget has to be revised and the revised budget will be presented on or before February 8, 1973.

It was voted to include the full tearhers contract for the year 1973 and 1974 in the 1973-74 budget.

The Board of Selectmen presented the Town Budget. It was voted to accept the Selectmen's budget of \$309,251.86. The Regional School budget of \$200,516.97 is included in the town budget.

At the February 8, 1973 meeting, the Finance Committee made a motion and seconded it that we accept Revision #1 of January 18, 1973 of the School Budget and make the addition to the teachers' salaries of \$9,585.00 as listed in Revision #2 of January 23, 1973. This makes a total of \$195,055.75 for the Center School Budget. This was voted 7 yes and 1 no.

The articles of the Town Warrant were discussed and accepted.

The article pertaining to the revolving fund for off-duty pay for policemen was discussed at length.

A discussion was held by the Selectmen and Finance Committee on how to spend the Revenue Sharing Fund. Suggestions of lowering the taxes and spending it on buildings were discussed.

Respectfully submitted,

LEROY M. MILLER

Secretary

ARTICLES OF THE WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

ARTICLE 1. To hear and act on all reports presented at said meeting.

ARTICLE 2. To elect by ballot necessary officers to serve the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to leave the care of the highways in charge of the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 4. To vote in compliance with Section 108, Chapter 41, General Laws, which requires that salaries of elected officers be fixed by vote of the Town.

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ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Assessors to use a sum of (monies) from Free Cash for the purpose of reducing taxes for the current year.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to accept the amount of \$11,014.00 received on Dec. 11, 1972 from the State and Local Fiscal Assistance Act of 1972, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to accept the amount of \$10,569.00 received on Jan. 8, 1973 from the State and Local Fiscal Assistance Act of 1972, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 8. To raise and appropriate or otherwise provide such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges in the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial years beginning January 1, 1973, and ending June 30, 1974, and to issue a note or notes that may be given for the period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 4 and 17 of Chapter 44, General Laws of Massachusetts, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, borrow or otherwise provide any sum or sums of money for any or all of the following purposes, or pass and vote or votes in relation thereto.

- A. Chapter 81 - Highways
- B. Chapter 90 Highway Construction
- C. Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to accept the specific amount of monies made available for projects approved by the Department of Public Works under the terms as set forth under Chapter 497 of the Acts of 1971, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of \$3,000.00 for the Eighteen months period beginning January 1, 1973, for the Library Account and to meet this appropriation the town ~~accept~~ the sum of \$1,000.00 from 1972 State Aid to Libraries and to raise \$2,000.00 by taxation, plus Dog Fund.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to provide for mental health and retardation services for the citizens of the Town, or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will establish, under the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 8d, an historical commission of the Town of Westhampton for the purpose and with the rights and duties provided by law, to be composed of five members, appointed by the Selectmen for terms of three years except that initial appointment shall be two member(s) for one year, two member(s) for two years and one member(s) for three years.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will authorize the School Building Committee to enter into any or all contracts necessary for the purpose of recommending the location of and the obtaining of preliminary drawings and estimated costs for the erection of a new school building and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for the cost of the Committee's work.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will authorize the School Building Committee to enter into any or all contracts necessary for the purpose of obtaining preliminary drawings and estimated costs for the demolition of a part of the Center School, the reconstruction of the remaining portion of that same school building and for the construction of the addition to the remaining portion of that building and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for the cost of the Committee's work.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will authorize the School Building Committee to enter into any or all contracts necessary for the purpose of obtaining preliminary drawings and estimated costs for the erection of a school building adjacent to the Center School and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for the cost of the Committee's work.

#18 Revolving fund to pay
police for off time duty.

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